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# Advanced Collectors -OF- 

POSTAGE STAMPS,
STAMPED ENVELOPES
AND WRAPPERS.
COMPILED FROM THE MOST RECENT AUTHORITIES AND INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH
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## French Offices in the Levant.

## Currency: i Piastre=40 Paras.

The Piastre equal to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ U. S. Currency.
ADHESIVE STAMPS.

Regular issues of France, surcharged with value in Turkish currency.

August 16 th, 1885.
Stamps of the issues of 1876 and 1879 surcharged in black.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
got Ipia on 25 c yellow on straw 902 3pia on 75 c carmine on rose

903 4pia on Ifr bronze green on straw October 14 th, 1886.
Stamps of the issue of April 1886, surcharged in red.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
904 Ipia on 25 c black on rose
1889.

Stamps of the issue of 1878 surcharged in
black.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
905 2opia on 5 fr lilac on lavender
1890.

Stamps of the issue of 1890 surcharged in black.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
906 2pia on 50 c rose on rose

## FRENCH OFFICES IN MOROCCO.

Currency: ioo Centimos=i Peseta=\$e.ig U.S. Currency. ADHESIVE STAMPS.

Regular issues of France surcharged with value in Spanish currency.

January ist, i89I.
Stamps of the issues of 1876-90 surcharged as per cut.


| Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$ |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Carmine surcharge |  |
| IOOI | 5 centimos on 5 c green on greenish |
| 1002 | 25 centimos on 25 c black on rose |
|  | Black surcharge. |
| 1003 | 50 centimos on 50c rose on rose |
| 1004 | I peseta on Ifr bronze green on straw |

## COUNTERFEITS

Besides the counterfeits already described and the forgery of the error I5c bistre on rose, we do not know of any other good counterfeits of the French stamps.

Most of the cancelled errors $I_{5} \mathrm{c}$ bistre on rose are frauds, manufactured by means of a chemical which will give a rose tint to the paper of the ordinary 15 c bistre on white; this is very difficult to detect, and it requires an expert to distinguish these frauds from the genuine; the safest way for a collector is to collect this slamp only uncancelled, as the gum will show it if any trickery has been practiced, or to collect it only with the loe stamp joined to it; the latter is the condition in which this stamp is generally found in collections.

French Colonies.

## Currency: Same as in France.

ADHESIVE STAMPS.

1859-65.
Typographed on tinted wove paper. Size $183 / 4 \times 183 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.

rc olive green on greenish blue (May 1863)
5c green on greenish (May 1863)
loc bistre on yellowish (July 1859)
20c blue on bluish (Oct. I865)
40 c orange on yellowish (July 1859)
40 c vermilion on "
80 c carmine on pinkish (October 1865)

## Varieties:

a. Tête Bêche.
roc bistre on yellowish
Pin Perforated, unofficially. ic olive green on greenish blue
5c green on greenish
roc bistre on yellowish
20c blue on bluish
40 c orange on yellowish
8oc carmine on pinkish
c. Perforated 13 , unofficially. ic olive green on greenish blue
December 187 I .
I. Stamps of France, of the issues of 1867 , I868 and i870 (Napoleon laureated).


Unperforated.
16 Ic olive green on greenish blue
$1730 c$ brown on yellowish
18 8oc rose on pinkish
Varieties: Pin perforated, unofficially.
ig Ic olive green on greenish blue
2030 c brown on yellowish
2I 80 c rose on pinkish
II. Stamps of France, of the issue of November 4 th, 1854 (Napoleon unlaureated).


Unperforated.
22
5 c green on greenish
This stamp can only be distinguished from that of France by the cancellation.
III. Stamps of France, of the issue of October 1870.


Unperforated.
24 Ioc bistre on yellowish
25 20c blue on bluish
26 40c vermilion on yellowish
Varieties:
a. Tête Bêche.

2oc blue on bluish
. Pin perforated, unofficially
28 Ioc bistre on yellowish
29 20c blue on bluish
$3040 c$ vermilion on yellowish

1872-73.
Stamps of France, issues of 1871-72.


Unperforated
ic olive green on greenish blue ( 1873 )
5 c green on greenish
${ }^{1} 5 \mathrm{c}$ bistre on yellowish
25 c blue on bluish
$30 c$ brown on yellowish
$40 c$ orange on
$80 c$ carmine on pinkish
(1873)
arieties: Pin perforated, unofficially
ic olive green on greenish blue
5 c green on greenish
15 c bistre on yellowish
25c blue on bluish
30c brown on yellowish
40 c orange
$80 c$ carmine on pinkish
1876-77.
Stamps of France of the issues of 1872 , 1874 and 1875.

Unperforated.
2c red brown on yellowish
4 c gray on white
15 c bistre on rose (large figures of value)
roc bistre on white
Varieties: Pin perforated, unofficially. 2 c red brown on yellowish
4c gray on white
roc bistre on rose
15c bistre on white
1877.

Stamps of France of the 1876 issue; two types, as described previously.


Unperforated
$5920 c$ red brow $n$ on straw,
25 c blue on bluish,
$25 c$ ultramarine on bluish, 30c brown on yellowish,
75 c carmine on light rose, Ist "
75 c rose on light rose,
Ist "
4 Ifr bronze green on straw, Ist "
Varieties: Pin perforated, unofficially
65 Ic green on light greenish Ist type
65
66
67
67 4c "
$68 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$
68 a IOC
$7920 c$ red brown on straw
$80 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ ultramarine on bluish
802 30c brown on yellowish
8ob Ifr bronze green on straw, ist type

## 1879.

Stamps of France of the 1877-79 issues; all but the 40 c are of the second type.
Unperforated.
ic black on blue
2c red brown on buff
4 c claret on lavender
roc black on lavender
I5c blue on white
25 c black on red
:25c yellow on straw 35c black on yellow
4oc vermilion on straw
Varieties: Pin perforated, unofficially. Ic black on blue
8I 2c red brown on buff
824 c claret on lavender
83 4oc vermilion on straw
The 3 c yellow, 3 c gray, and 5 fr lilac on lavender were never used in the colonies, the unperforated specimens of these stamps in existence are merely varieties of the French stamps obtained through some high official of the French Republic. The greater part of the unused I5c gray, 25 c yellow, 25 c black on red, 30 c brown and 35 c black on orange of the 1877-79 issues and the 25 c blue of the 187 I issue belong to the same class; they can be distinguished from the stamps of the colonies by their color which is much brighter on the French stamps than on those of the colonies.
1881.

Typographed on wove paper, tinted on the surface.

Size $18 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
84 Ic black on blue
85 2c brown on buff
86 4c claret on lavender
87 5c green on greenish
88 IOc black on lavender
89 I5c blue on white
$20 c$ red on green
25c yellow on straw
$30 c$ brown on bistre
35 c black on yellow
$40 c$ red on straw
75 c carmine on rose
5 f bronze green on straw
1886.

Same type, paper and impression as preceding issue.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
97 25c black on rose

UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

1889.

Stamp, same type as adhesives of 188 I issue, typographed in upper right corner.
$I^{\circ}$ Size $116 \times 76 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$301 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ green, white wove paper

Stamp, same type as adhesives of 188 I is sue, typographed to the right.
Size $320 \times 5 \mathrm{Imm}$.
305 Ic black, buff wove paper

| 207 | 60 c black |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 208 | Ifr brown |  |
| 209 | 2 fr | " |
| 210 | 5 fr |  |

1886. 

Same type as preceding issue.
Unperforated.

| 211 | Ic | black |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 212 | 2 c | ". |
| 213 | 3 c | ". |
| 214 | 4 c | ". |

What we have said in regard to the $3 c$ yel low and 3 c gray of the 1879 issue apply also to the unpaid stamps 1,2 and 5 franc in black, which, although they exist unperforated, were never issued for the colonies.

## ENVELOPES.

|  | 302 303 304 | I5c blue, bluish wove paper Size $123 \times 96 \mathrm{~mm}$. ${ }_{15} \mathrm{c}$ blue, bluish wove paper Size $147 \times 113 \mathrm{~mm}$. 15c blue, bluish wove paper |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WRAPPERS. |  |  |
|  | 306 | 2c brown, buff wove paper |
|  | 307 | 3c vermilion, buff |
|  | 308 | 4 c claret, blue '" |
|  | 309 | 5 c greeen, buff " |

Annam and Fonkin.

[^0]Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
I. Surcharged with wooden handstamp.
$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Letters A. \& T. are not barred at bottom.
a. A \& T. are $31 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height.


I Ic on 2c brown on buff
2 Ic on 4c claret on lavender $2 \mathrm{a} \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on IOc black on lavender Variety: Double surcharge.
$3 \quad 5 \mathrm{cx} 5 \mathrm{c}$ on loc black on lavender
b. A. \& T. are 4 mm in height.


4 Ic on 4c claret on lavender $5 . \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on roc black on lavender Variety: Without A.
$6 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on toc black on lavender
c. A. \& T. are $41 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height.


7 Ic on 4 c claret on lavender Variety: A. \& I. instead of A. \& T 8 Ic on $4 c$ claret on lavender $2^{\circ} \mathrm{T}$ alone is barred at bottom.


95 c on loc black on lavender
$3^{\circ}$ The letter A is sometimes barred, the T has only the lower left barred.
a. I is $91 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height.


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Ic on 2c brown on buff
b. I is 9 mm in height.


II IC on 4 c claret on lavender $4^{\circ}$ A. \& T. are barred at bottom.
a. I is $83 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height.


12 IC on 2c brown on buff
b. I is 10 mm in height.


I3 Ic on 2 c brown on buff
c. 5 is $91 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height.


I4 5c on loc black on lavender
II. Surcharged with brass hand stamp.


I5 Ic on 2c brown on buff
i6 Ic on $4 c$ claret on lavender
I7 5c on Ioc black on lavender
The 5 c on 2 c brown on buff was never issued ; it is not known whether the existing copies of this stamp are essays or frauds.

## Cochin China.

Provisional issues.
Stamps of the French Colonies, of the issues of $1881-86$, surcharged in black with new value.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
May 16th, 1886.


I 5 C on 25 c yellow on straw June 9th, 1886.

2.5 c on 25 c yellow on straw Vaviety: 5 below C. CH.
$3 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c yellow on straw
January 1887.
Same type as issue of June 1886.
$4 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c brown on buff
55 c on 25 c black on rose This stamp was never issued.
February, 1887.

$6 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c black on rose
Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.

6a 5 c on 25 c black on rose
b. Double surcharge of which one is of the type of the issue of June, 1886.
$7 \quad 5 \mathrm{c} \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c black on rose
c. Triple surcharge, of which two are of the type of the issue of June, 1886.
$85 \mathrm{C} \times 5 \mathrm{c} \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c black on rose
These last two varieties were not issued.
May, 1888.
30 c stamp of the 188 I issue, divided diagonally in two by a black line running from right to left, each half being surcharged 15 .

$I^{\circ}$ Upper half.
9 I5c on half of 30 c brown on buff
$2^{\circ}$ Lower half.
Io 15 c on half of 30 c brown on buff


The stamps illustrated here were not surcharged for postal purposes, but were only used as revenue stamps; the following values exist; 1Oc on $20 \mathrm{c}, 20 \mathrm{c}$ on $10 \mathrm{c}, 20 \mathrm{c}$ on 30 c , 30 c on $20 \mathrm{c}, 30$ on Ifr, Ifr on 20 c , Ifr on 30 c , Ifr on 40 c , if on 60 c .

Diego Suarez.

## Provisional issues.

I. Stamps of the French Colonies of the issues of 1881-86 surcharged in violet, diagonally or horizontally, with new values.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
January 28th, 1890 .


I 15 c on 20 c red on green
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
215 c on 20 c red on green
March 24th, 1890.
315 C on 25 c black on rosè

Varieties:
a. Double surcharge.
$4 \quad 15 \mathrm{c} \times 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c black on rose
b. Surcharge inverted

15 c on 25 c black on rose
c. Surcharged horizontally.

5a. 15 c on 25 c black on rose
July 15 th, 1800 .
$6 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on ic black on blue
$7 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 5 c green on greenish
Varieties: Surcharge inverted.
$8 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 5 c green on greenish 8a 15 c on Ic black on blue
August 3d, 1890.
$9 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 10 c black on lavender Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.

10 15 c on 10c black on lavender
b. Surcharged 5 instead of 15 .
ioa 5 c on roc black on lavender
II. New Designs.

September 5th, 1890.
Lithographed in black on white wove paper: Size, $20 \times 30 \mathrm{~mm}$.


## ic black

5C "
15c "
25 c "
October Ist, 189 I.
Lithographed in black on white wove paper.
Size, $18 \times 211 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.


15 5c black
1892.

Stamps of the French Colonies of the issues of $588 \mathrm{I}-86$, surcharged with name and new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
i6 5 c on IOc black on lavender, red surcharge
I7 5c on 20 c red on green, bl'k surcharge
UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.
Provisional issue.
October Ist, i891.
Lithographed on white wove paper ; size, $18 \times 211 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$\begin{array}{lr}101 & 5 \mathrm{c} \text { violet } \\ 102 & 5 \mathrm{Oc} \text { black }\end{array}$

Frepch Congo.
Formerly: Gabon and Gabon Congo.
GABON.

Provisional issues.
July 3 Ist, 1886.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 188I, surcharged in black with name and new value; they were surcharged with brass handstamp in two separate operations, each value being surcharged as per annexed cuts, The letters G A B are surrounded by 13 points, five of which are below, the other eight starting at the left of and ending over the letters; the figures of value measure $5 \frac{1}{2} / \mathrm{mm}$ in height.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
5 c on 20 c red on green loc on 20c red on green 25 C on 20 c red on green 50 c on 15 c blue on white 75 c on 15 c blue on white Varieties:
a. ) instead of o

Ioc on 20 c red on green
b. Surcharged twice o

7 Ioc on $20 c$ red on green
c. Surcharged twice 10

8 Ioc x Ios on $20 c$ red on green
d. Surcharged twice G A B.

925 c on 20 c red on green
e. G A B inverted.
10. 25 c on 20 c red on green
f. GBB instead of GAB.

II 25 c on 20 c red on green
g. Surcharged twice 25 .
$12.25 \mathrm{c} \times 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
h. Surcharged 25 horizontally.

I3 25 c on 20 c red on green
i. Two stamps joined, one of which has the 25 omitted.
$14 \quad 20 c$ red on green
k. GAB surrounded entirely by points.

I5 25 c on 20 c red on green

1. GAB surcharged vertically and 50 horizontally.
I6 50 c on I 5 c blue and white
m. GAB surcharged diagonally and 50 horizontally.
I $7 \quad 50 \mathrm{c}$ on 15 c blue on white
n. GAB surcharged vertically and 50 diagonally.
1850 c on 15 c blue on white
o. Additional surcharge, 57 , crossed by . two penstrokes.
I9 $75 \mathrm{c} \times 57 \mathrm{c}$ on 15 c blue on white

## December 28th, 1888.

Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 188 r , surcharged with new value in black; the surcharge is done with a brass handstamp; the figures measure $51 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height; the figure ' 5 " is placed about $3 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ higher than the " 2 ."


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$20 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 5 c green on greenish
Variety: The figures 2 and 5 placed diagonally one against the other.
$21 \quad 25 \mathrm{C}$ on 5 c green on greenish
February 7th, 1889.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged with new value in black; the surcharge is of the same type as in preceding issue.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$
22 I5C on Ifr bronze green on straw
2325 c on 75 c carmine on rose
March 8th, 1889.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged in black with new values; this surcharge is of the same type as in the preceding two issues.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$24 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on roc black on lavender
$25 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on loc black on lavender
March 27, 1889,
Unpaid letter stamps of the French Colonies. surcharged in black with name and new value.


26 I5 C on 5 c black
27 I5c on 30c black
$28 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c black Varieties:
a. GABON twice.

29 I5c on 5 c black
$30 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c black
b. TIMBRE twice.

3I 15 c on 5 c black
$32 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 Oc black
c. TIMBRE is omitted and GABON is in the centre.
33 I5c on 5 c black
d. Without 15 .

34 5c black
e. Surcharged twice 25
$35 \quad 25$ and 25 c on 20 c black
f. IMBRE ipstead of TIMBRE.

3625 c on 20 c black
g. IBRE instead of TIMBRE and " 5 " instead of " 25 ."
375 C on 20 c black
$h$. Two stamps joined of which one is without surcharge.
38 5c black

Gabon Congo.


## Provisional issue.

April 16th, 1889.
Typographed in black on colored wove paper, Io varieties, printed in two horizontal rows of five stamps each. Size $26 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$,

39 I5c black, rose paper, io varieties $40 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ " green paper, Io varieties. Varieties:
a. "GAB" inverted in upper left angle.

41 15c black, rose paper
$42 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ "", green paper
b. "GAB " inv-rted in lower right angle 15 c black, rose paper
44 25c " green paper
c. small " $f$ " instead of capital $F$ in FRANCAISE.
45 I5c black, rose paper
46 25c " green paper
d. Without "GAB."

47 I5c black, rose paper
48 25c " green paper
The last two are probably essays.

French Congs.
Provisional issues.
April, 189 .
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged in black with name and new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
49.5 c on I 5 c blue on white

Variety: Double surcharge. $50 \quad 5 \mathrm{cx} 5 \mathrm{c}$ on I 5 c blue on white 1892,
Same type and color of surcharge as preceding issue, on stamp of the French Colonies of 1888 issue.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
515 c on 25 c black on rose

The four labels illustrated below are humbugs, manufactured in Marseilles in 1891, in order to defraud collectors.


French Guiana

Provisional issues.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issues of 1872-81, surcharged in black with name and new value,

December, $\mathbf{1 8 8 6 .}$

$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Unperforated.
5 c on 2 c green on greenish (1877) Varieties:
a. No period after 1886.
$2 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c green on greenish
b. No fafter $O$

35 c on 2 c green on greenish
c. Same as "b" without period after 1886 .
$4 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c green on greenish

$2^{\circ}$ Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$ 5 c on 2 c brown on buff (1881)
5 Varieties:
a. No period after 1886 .
$6 \quad 5 c$ on $2 c$ brown on buff
b. No " f " after $O$.
7. $4 c$ on $2 c$ brown on buff

こ. Same as "b" without period after 1886 .
$8 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c brown on buff

April, 1887.

$9 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c green on greenish (1877)
Io 20 c on 35 C black on yellow (1879)
II 25 c on 30 c brown on yellowish (1872) Varieties:
a. $\Lambda \forall$ RIL instead of AVRIL.

1220 con 35 c black on yellowish (1879)
Strange to say, it is the variety which is
the most common, only a small number of the stamps of this value having the word
"AVRIL" spelled correctly.
b. No "f" after " 5 ."

12a 25 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
c. Period after 1887.

12b 25 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
December, 1887.

13. 5c on $30 c$ brown on yellowish (1872) Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.

1. 5 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
b. Double surcharge.
$15.5 \mathrm{c} \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 30 c brown on yellowish
c. Two stamps joined, of which one is without surcharge.
I6 30 c brown on yellowish
d. Error, surcharged on 300 brown of 1877 issue (Allegory) instead of on $30 c 1872$ (head of Liberty.)

5 c on 30 c brown on yellowish (1877)
Of this stamp only one sheet of fifty is supposed to have been issued.

February, 1888.


185 c on 30 c brown on yellowish (1872)
19 IOc on 75 c carmine on rose (1877)
Varieties:
a. Without 1888 .

5 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
. Double surcharge.
$2155 \mathrm{c} \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 30 c brown on yellowish
c. Surcharge inverted.

225 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
d. FEVRIER printed in capitals, same as on issue of December, 1887.
235 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
e. Two stamps joined, of which one is without surcharge.
$24 \quad 75$ c carmine on rose
f. Without date and FEVR instead of FEVRIER.
25 IOc on 75c carmine on rose.
g. FEVRI instead of FEVRIER.

5 C on 30 c brown on yellowish

## Provisional issues.

March, 1884.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issues of 1877 and 1879, surcharged in black with initials and new value; they were printed in sheets composed of two panes of 25 stamps each, all differing from one another in various details; the setting up is identical in the two values, with the exception of the figures.


I 20 C on 30 c brown on yellow, 50 variem ties
$2 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 35 c black on yellow, 50 varieties

Principal varieties :
a. Accent over E of G. P. E.

20 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
25 c on 35 c black on yellow
b. Large figure 2.
$20 c$ on $30 c$ brown on yellowish
25 C on 35 c black on yellow
c. Large figure 5 .

25 c on 35 c black on yellow
A 5 c on 4 c claret on lavender was also prepared for issue, but for some reason or other the whole supply of this stamp was destroyed.

## Tanuary 188 a .

Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged in black with name and new value; they were printed in sheets of 25 stamps each, all differing from one another in various details; the principal difference being in the width of "centimes" which varies from $101 / 2$ to $121 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.; the setting up, the figures of value excepted, was identical for the three values.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.

| 8 | $3 c$ on $20 c$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | $15 c$ on $20 c$ | $" ،$ | 25 |
| 10 | $25 c$ on $20 c$ | $"$ | 25 |

April 1889.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged in black with name and new value; printed in sheets of 25 stamps each, differing from one another in various details; the setting up, with the exception of the figures of value, being identical for the four values.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
Principal Variety: Left side of upper border inverted.
I4 IOC on 40 C red on straw
15 15c on 20 c red on green.
I6 25 c on 30 c brown on bistre
June 1889.
Same surcharge, etc. as preceding issue but new setting up.
17 5c on Ic black on blue, 25 varieties
18 IOC on 40 c red on straw, 25 varieties, (April)
15 c on 20 c red on green, 25 varieties
25 c on 30 c brown on bistre, 25 varieties
Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.
$21 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ic black
b. Double surcharge.
$21 \mathrm{a} \quad 5 \mathrm{cx} 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ic black on blue, 25 varieties
December, $\mathbf{1 8 9 0}$.
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged in black with initials and new value; printed in sheets of 25 stamps each; the only noticeable difference being in the thickness or length of the line separating the initials from the figure " 5 ."


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
225 c on I fr bronze green on straw, 25 varieties.
March, 1891 .
Stamps of the French Colonies, issue of 1881, surcharged exactly like preceding issue.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
235 C on loc black on lavender, 25 varieties
August, 1891.
Stamps of the French Colonies surcharged horizontally in black "Guadeloupe."
$I^{\circ}$ Surcharged on stamps of the 1872-73 issue.


2430 c brown on yellowish, black surcharge
258 oc carmine on pinkish, black surcharge

Varieties: GNADELOUPE instead of GUADELOUPE.
26 30c brown on yellowish, bl'k surcharge 27 8oc carmine on pinkish,
$2^{\circ}$ Surcharged on stamps of the 1881-86 issue.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$

Ic black on blue, black surcharge 2 c brown on buff,
$4^{c}$ claret on lavender, "
5c green on greenish, " loc black on lavender, " 15c blue on white, 20c red on green,
25 c black on rose
35 c black on yellow, $40 c$ red on straw,
75 c carmine on rose,
ifr bronze green on straw, black surcharge
Varieties:
a. GUADELONPE instead of GUADELOUPE.

2c brown on buff, black surcharge
5 c green on greenish, "،
$20 c$ red on green,
25 c black on rose,
35 c black on yellow, "
45 Ifr bronze green on straw, black surcharge
b. GNADELOUPE instead of GUADELOUPE.

OUP
46 Ic black on blue, black surcharge
4c claret on lavender, "
ioc black on lavender,
15 c blue on white,
40 c red on straw,
75 c carmine on rose, "
GUADBLOUPE instead of GUADELOUPE.

2c brown on buff, black surcharge
5c green on greenish, '
20c red on green,
25 c black on rose,
35c black on yellow,
Ifr br'nze green on straw"
. Surcharge inverted
25 c hlack on rose, black surcharge
Double surcharge
2c brown on buff, black surcharge
25c black on rose,

UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

January, 1877.
Type-set, printed in black on yellowish white wove paper; the sheet contains 20 stamps in five horizontal rows of four stamps each, differing from one another in minute ${ }^{-}$ details. Size $13 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$.


15I 25c black, 20 varieties
152 40 c black, 20 varieties
Reprints:
October, 1884.
Type set, printed on thin white wove paper, in sheets of eight stamps.
15325 c black, 8 varieties
154 40c black, 8 "
Principal Varieties:
a. Thick figure "2."

155 25c black
b. Figure " 5 " thin and larger.

156 25c black
c. " a"before percevoir is missing.

157 40c black

## June 1877.

Type set, printed in black on colored wove paper; it is not known of how many of these stamps a sheet was composed, as only a very few of these stamps have been met with.

$15840 c$ black, blue paper, ? varieties January, $\mathbf{1} 879$.
Type set, printed in black, the 15 c on blue wove paper, and the 30 c on white wove paper; the sheets are composed of twenty stamps in five horizontal rows of four stamps, differing one from another in minute details. Size $13 \times 15 \mathrm{~mm}$.

16030 c black, white paper, 20 varieties
It is likely that printings of these stamps occurred at various times as some sheets differ from one another.

Principal Varieties:
a. Per evoir instead of percevoir.

I6I I5c black, blue paper
b. Percevo'r instead of percevoir.
$162 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ black, blue paper
c. No c after figure of value.
r63 I5c black, blue paper
164 3oc black, white paper
d. Two dashes below " 3 ".

I65 30c black, white paper
1884.

Same as preceding issue but on thinner paper.
$166 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ black, dark blue paper, 20 varieties 167 30c black, white paper, 20 ".
October Ist, 1884.
Type set, printed in black on colored wove paper; the plate is composed of two horizontal rows of five stamps each, differing one from another in various details; this plate is repeated six times on the sheet, making sixty stamps in six horizontal rows of ten stamps each. On some of the plates in this and preceding issue, varieties are found which are not on the others; these are undoubtedly caused by some accident in electrotyping, some letters having fallen out and not been replaced, or replaced by others which were wrong; the same cause accounts for some plates in which the head of each stamp appears to be broken. Size $221 / 2 \times$ $221 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Principal Varieties:
a GUADELOUPE instead of GUADELOUPE.
$175 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ black, white paper
b. GUADELoUPE instead of GUADELOU PE.
176 5c black, white paper
c. " 2 " is an Italic.

177 2oc black, rose paper
d. UADELOUPE instead of GUADELOUPE.
r78 35c black, grey paper
e. G UADELOUPE.

179 50c black, green paper
f. GUAD ELOUPE.

18050 c black, green paper
g. GUADELOUP E.

181 50c black, green paper
h. a percevoir (small A)
$182 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ black, white paper
i. "evoir" of " percevoir" below line.
r83 5c black, white paper
k. Chif re instead of Chiffre, and lower line of inside frame missing.
I84 roc black, blue paper
r85 ric " violet "
186 30c " yellow"

1. Lower and side lines of inside frame missing.
I87 Ioc black, blue paper
m. Inpression on both sides.
r88 r5c black, violet paper, 10 varieties
189 30c "، yellow "، 10 "
Igo 50c " green " ro "

## June 25th, 8885.

Same type as preceding issue, but reset, each plate being composed of fifteen stamps in three horizontal rows of five stamps each; the plate being repeated four times on the sheet ; the stock on hand of 35 c being sufficient at the time, this value was not printed again.

| IgI | 5c black, white paper, 15 varieties |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| r92 | IOC | ، | blue |  | 15 |  |
| 193 | 15 c | " | violet | ، | 15 | ، |
| 194 | 20 c | " | rose pa | er, | 15 |  |
| 195 | 30 c | " | yellow |  | 15 | ، |
| 196 | 50 c | " | green |  | 15 |  |

Principal Varieties:
a. Double impression.
r97 I5c black, violet paper, 15 varieties
198 50c " green " I5 "
b. A percevo - . instead of A percevoir. 50 c black, green paper
c. Chif re instead of chiffre.

20050 c black, green paper
d. GUADELO PE instead of GUADELOUPE.
201 15 c black, violet paper
e. Cen imes instead of centimes.

202 I5c black, violet paper
203 50c ". green paper
f. Centim s instead of centimes.
$20450 c$ black, green paper
g. A perc oir instead of A percevoir.

20550 c black, green paper

Ind China.

## January 8th 188g. <br> Provisional issue.

Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188 r issue surcharged with name and new value; on some of the sheets of the rst type the last stamp of the last row has no date, on others the same stamp has the date " 89 " spaced.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$I^{\circ}$ Black surcharge.
I 5 c on 35 c black on yellow
Varielies:
a. Without date.
2.5 c on 35 c black on yellow
b. Date spaced.

35 c on 35 c black on yellow


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    2
    5c on 35c black on yellow
    Varieties:
    a. Date in smaller but heavier type.
    5c on 35c black on yellow
    b. Surcharge inverted.
    6 5c on 35c black on yellow
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c. Surcharge inverted, date in smaller but heavier type.
75 c on 35 c black on yellow
7 R. D. stand for Rechand, Resident General of Indo China and Demars, Director of Posts and Telegraphs at Saigon.

## Madagasvar.

Provisional issues.
I. Stamps of the French Colonies of the r881 issue surcharged in black with new value.

April Ist, I88y.


Perforated $14 \times 131_{2}^{\circ}$.
I $\quad 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5)$ on Ioc black on lavender
225 c on 40 c red on straw
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
325 c on 40 c red on straw
November 24th, 1889.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
45 c (05) on 25 c black on rose
April I8gr.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$5 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ (05) on 40 c red on straw
$6 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 25 c black on rose
Variety: Surcharge sideways.
6 a 15 C on 25 c black on rose
July 189 r.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$7 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ioc black on lavender
5 c on 25 c black on rose
All the preceding surcharges were applied with a brass handstamp.
II. Type set, printed on colored wove paper; there are two plates, one for the 5. Io, I5 and 25 centimes, and the other for the I and 5 francs; each plate was formed of ten stamps in two horizontal rows of five stamps each, differing from one another in minor details. Herewith we give a half-tone illustration of both plates.

The I and 5 fr have a fancy groundwork, printed in orange, covering the entire stamp.

Size, $22 \times 19 \mathrm{~mm}$.


5c black, green $p$, 10 varieties roc "، light blue $p$, Io varieties I5c ultramarine, pale blue p, io varieties 25 c brown, buff $p$, io varieties
If black, yellow p, orange groundwork, ro varieties
4 fr violet, white p , orange groundwork Io varieties

Martinique.

## October 1886.



Type III.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
35 c (05) on 20 c red on green Type III

May 2d, 1887.


Type V.


Type VI.


Type VII.
Perforated 14×131/2.
 May 1888.


Type VIII.
Type IX.
Type X.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
8 Ic (OI) on $20 c$ red on green Type VIII Ic (OI) on 2c browir on buff ic (OI) on 4 c claret on lavender " $5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5)$ on 20 c red on green Type IX 5 C (05) on 4 c claret on lavender " I5c on $20 c$ red on green Type $X$
Varieties:
a. Error, surcharged on the 4 c stamp.

14 I5c on 4 c claret on lavender Type X
It is said that only one sheet of fifty stamps of this variety was printed.
b. "Martinique" below value.
$15 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
c. Without "Martinique."
$16 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
d. Surcharge inverted.

I6a 5 c (05) on 20 c red on green Type IX
e. 5 placed slanting.

16b 5 c (05) on 20 c red on green Type IX
16c $5 \mathrm{c}(05)$ on 4 c claret on lavender ${ }^{\prime}$
I6d $15 c$ on $20 c$ red on green Type X
16e 15 c on 4 c claret on lavender "
f. Without period after "c "
$16 f$ Ic (oI) on 2 c brown on buff Type VItI
1890.

Same as types IX and X of preceding issue.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
I7 5c (05) on roc black on lavender Type IX
I8 15 c on 25 c black on rose Type X Varieties:
a. 5 placed slanting.

18a $5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O})$ on loc black on lavender
Type IX
18b 15 c on 25 c black on rose Type X
b. Surcharge inverted.

I8c r5c on 25c black on rose. Type X

## 1891.

I. Same as types IX and X of preceding issue.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
I9 5c (05) on 30c b'wn on bistre Type IX.
$20 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}(05)$ on 35 c black on yellow "،
$5 \mathrm{c}\left(\mathrm{O}_{5}\right)$ on 35 c black on orange " ${ }^{4}$ $5 \mathrm{c}(05)$ on 40 c red on stratv " ryc on 75c carmine on rose Type X
Varieties;
a. Surcharge inverted.

23a 5 c (05) on 35 cbl blk on orange Type 1X
b. 5 placed slanting.
$23 \mathrm{~b} 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5$ ) on 30c b,wn on bistre Type IX
$\begin{array}{ll}23 \mathrm{c} & 5 \mathrm{c}(05) \text { on } 35 \mathrm{c} \text { bl'k on yellow } \\ 23 \mathrm{~d} & 5 \mathrm{c} \text { (05) on } 35 \mathrm{c} \text { "، }\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{ll}23 \mathrm{~d} & 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O}) \text { on } 35 \mathrm{c} \text { " on orange " } \\ 23 \mathrm{e} & 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5) \text { on } 40 \mathrm{c}\end{array}$
$23 \mathrm{e} 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O5})$ on 4 oc red on straw
$23 \mathrm{f} \quad \mathrm{I} 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 75 c carmine on rose Type $X$
II. Unpaid letter stamps of the French Colonies surcharged with name and new value.

$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Black surcharge.
5 c (05) on 10 c black
5 c (05) on 15 c black
I5c on 20 c black
I5c on 3oc black
Varteties:
a. 5 placed slanting.

5 c (05) on Ioc black
$5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5$ ) on 15 c "
I5c on 20 c black
15 c on 30 c black
b. Martınique is placed above_Timbre.

32 I5c on 20c black
c. Same as b, with 5 placed slanting.

15c on 20 c black
d. POSTE instead of TIMBRE POSTE.

34 I5c on 20 c black
e. Surcharge inverted.

15 c on 20 c black
36 I5c on $30 C$ "
f. ARTINIQUE instead of MARTINIQUE.
37 I5c on $30 c$ black
g. M of MARTINIQUE slanting.

5 c on I5c black
39 I 5 c on 30 c black
h. MART INIQUE.

40 I 5c on 30 c black
i. T of TIMBRE POSTE slanting

41 I5c on $30 c$ black
k. IMBRE POSTE instead of TIMBRE POSTE.
42 5c on 15c black
43 I5c on 30 c black
$2^{\circ}$ Red surcharge. 5 c on 10 c black
5 c on 15 c black
15 c on 20 c black
I 5 c on 30 c black

## Varieties.

a. Surcharge inverted.

15c on 20 c black
b. 5 placed slanting.

495 c (05) on loc black
$5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5$ ) on 15 c "
15c on 20 c black
15 c on 30 c
c. Martinique is placed above Timbre.

53 I5c on 20 c black
d. Same as c, with 5 placed slanting.

54 I5c on 20 c black
e. B of Timbre missing.

55 5c (05) on loc black
565 c (05) on 15 c black
III. Surcharged in black on stamps of the French Colonits of the 188 r issue.


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## UNPAID LET'TER STAMPS.

1887. 

Unpaid letter stamps of the FrenchColonies
surcharged diagonally in red "Martinique".

I. Surcharge running from upper left corner to lower right corner as per cut.

| 101 | Ic black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 102 | 2 c |  |
| 103 | 3 C | / |
| 104 | 4 c | ، |
| 105 | 5 c | , |
| 106 | IOC | ، |
| 107 | 15 C | ، |
| 108 | 20 c | ، |
| 109 | 30 C | ، |
| 110 | 40 c |  |

III 6 oc black
II2 If brown
$\begin{array}{lll}\text { II } 3 & \text { 2f } & \text { " } \\ \text { II } 4 & 5 f & \text { " }\end{array}$
Varieties:
a. Two stamps joined of which one is without surcharge.
II5 4c black
b. Two panes joined of which one is without surcharge.
116 2c black
II. Surcharge running from lower left corner to upper right corner.


Note.-On some of these stamps the surcharge appears to be in a larger type than on others; this however is simply the result of bad stamping. The surcnarge being stamped separately on each stamp, it happened that the hand of the operator moved slightly while applying the surcharge, thus causing the surcharge to appear larger.

New Caledonia.

## I 1858.

Portrait of Napoleon III., roughly drawn on stone; lithographed on grayish wove paper, fifty varieties, all differing from one another in various details.

These stamps only prepaid letters from Port de France to Sydney where they were handed over by the French Consul to the New South Wales Post office, and New South W ales stamps were added for the amount of the postage from Sydney to destination.

Sixe $19 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.


I IOc gray, 50 varieties.

Reprints.
Some time in the sixties Sergeant Triquerot, the designer and printer of these stamps, made a new plate of the fifty varieties, but destroyed it after it was demonstrated to him that these were nothing better than counter feits; only two or three proof sheets of this new plate were printed, of which one is in the collection of Mr. Ph. de Ferrary.

## Provisional issues.

June ist, 188 I .
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1879 issue surcharged in black with initials (N C $E)$ and new value; the letters N C E, measure $141 / 2 \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$2 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 35 c black on yellow
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
325 c on 35 c black on yellow
October 2 Ist, 1882.
Stamp; of the French Colonies of the 187779 issues surcharged in black with initials and new value as in preceding issue.
$4 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 40 c vermilion on straw
$5 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 75 c carmine on light rose
Varieties: Surcharge inverted.
$6 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 4 c c vermilion on straw
75 c on 75 c carmine on light rose
May 15th, 1883.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1879 is sue surcharged in black with initials and new value; the letters N C E measure $141 / 2 \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$8 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5)$ on 40 c vermilion on straw
December 28 th , 1883.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1877 issue surcharged in black with initials and new value; the letters NC E measure $17 \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$9 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 75 c carmine on light rose Io 5 c on 75 c rose on light rose Varieties: Surcharge inverted. 5 c on 75 c carmine on light rose 5 c on 75 c rose on light rose
January, 29th 1884.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the issue of 1879 surcharged in black with initials and new value, as in preceding issue.

I3 5 c on 40 C vermilion on straw Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.

145 c on 40 c vermilion on straw
b. Double surcharge.
$5 \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 40 c vermilion on straw
c. Surcharged diagonally


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15a 5 c on 40 c vermilion on straw June, 2gth 1886.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188, issue surcharged in black with initials and new value.


## Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.

I6 5 c on Ifr bronze green on straw
Varieties:
a, Double surcharge, one over the other
$175 \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw
b. Double surcharge, one above the other. $5 \times 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw
c. Double surcharge, the second one diagonally.
I9 $5 \times 5 \mathrm{C}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw
August 1886.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1881 issue surcharged in black with initials and new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
2o $\quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw Varieties:
a. Inverted surcharge.

215 C on Ifr bronze green on straw
b. Double surcharge, the second one inverted.
$225 \times 5 \mathrm{C}$ on If r bronze green on straw
c. Surcharged by error on the stamps of the French Colories of the 1877 issue, unperforated.
235 C on Ifr bronze green on straw
I892.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the issues of 1879 and 1881 surcharged in black with initials and new value. There are twenty-five minor varieties of each consisting in differences in the setting of the ornaments composing the frame.


Unperforated.
24 Ioc on foc vermilion on straw
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
25 Ioc on $40 c$ verinilion on straw


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
26 IOc on 40 c vermilion on straw
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
27 IOc on $40 c$ vermilion on straw

The following handstamp was used in May 1876, to show that postage had been paid for in cash at the post office, the supply of stamps having run out.


Provisionalㄷissues.
June 1889.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 18798 I issues surcharged in blue with new value.
$I^{\circ}$ Unperforated.


I 25 c on 40 C vermilion on straw
$2^{\circ}$ Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.

$2 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on roc black on lavender
$3 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
25 c on 40 C vermilion on straw
The surcharge on the last one is the same as on the unperforated stamp.
July 1889 .
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188I is sue surcharged in blue with new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$5 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on Ioc black on lavender
5 a 5 c on 20 c red on green
$6 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
$7 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 30 c brown on bistre

This handstamp is of the same category as all handstamps used before the introduction of postage stamps and is not collectible.

The same may be said of the following handstamp which was used in 1876 to stamp all mail matter entitled to reduced rates.


Nossi Bè.
All preceding-surcharges were applied with a brass stamp.

November 1st, 1890.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188I issue surcharged in black with initials and new value; three types of each value, all on one sheet, forty of the ist type, forty of the second and twenty of the third.

Perforated $\mathrm{I}_{4} \times 13 \mathrm{I} / 2$.


25 c on 20 c red on green
25 c on 75 c carmine on light rose
25 c on Ifr bronze green on straw


II $25 \mathrm{C}(\mathrm{O} 25)$ on 20 c red on green
$12 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ (025) on 75 c carmine on light rose
I3 $25 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5$ ) on Ifr bronze green on straw


1425 C on 20 c red on green
I5 25 c on 75 c carmine on light rose
$16 \quad 25 \mathrm{C}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw
Variety: Initials of the first type, figures of value of the second type, and frame of third type.
I7 $25^{\circ} \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
This was probably an essay.

## UNPAID I, ETTER STAMPS.

## Provisional Issues.

August, 1891.
Regular adhesives of the French Colonies, surcharged in black with new value, name and Chiffre Taxe-a Percevoir. (Unpaid letter stamps to be collected).


Type I.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
5 I 20 c on Ic black on blue, Type I
5230 on 2 c brown on buff "I
5335 c on 4 c claret on lavender" II 35 c on 20 c red on green "II 50 c on 30 c brown on bistre "-I ifr on 35 c black on yellow " II
Varieties:
a. Surcharge inveried.

20c on Ic black on blue, type I
58 30c on 2 c brown on buff, " I
5935 c on 4 c claret on lavender " II
b. Surcharged on the back ins'ead of on the face of stamp.
$60 \quad 30 c$ on $2 c$ brown on buff, type I
6 I 35 C on 4 c claret on lavender" II Ifr on 35 c black on yell w , " II
October, 189 I .
Regular adhesives of the French Colonies surcharged in black in a similar way to preceding issue but each value comes in two types; the stamps were surcharged ten at a

February, 1892.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the I88I-86 issues surcharged in black Obock.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$. ic black on blue 2 c brown on buff 4c claret on lavender 5c green on greenish loc black on lavender I5c blue on white 25 c black on rose 35 c black on yellow $40 c$ red on straw 75 c carmine on rose
time, in two horizontal rows of five stamps each those of the upper row being all of type II, and those of the lower row of type I.


Type I.


Type II.

Perforated $14 \times \mathrm{I}_{3} 1 / 2$.
635 c on 20 c red on green, type I
645 c on 20 c " " " II
65 Ioc on 15 c blue on white "I
66 Ioc on I5c "" " II
67 I5c on loc black on lavender " I
68 15c on Ioc " " "II
$69 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 5 c green on greenish" " I
$70 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 5 c
November, 18 gr .
Regular adhesives of the French Colonies surcharged in black similar to preceding issue.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
71 Ioc on 5 c green on greenish
$72 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
$73 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 75 c carmine on rose
Variety: Error of surcharge.
$74 \quad 25 \mathrm{C}$ on 20 c red on green
0bock.
If ifr bronze green on straw Provisional issue.
March 1892 .
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188I86 issue surcharged "Obock" in black and new value in red or black.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
Ic on 25 c black on rose, black and red surcharge
I3 2 c on 15 c blue on white, black and red surcharge
I4 4 c on $\mathrm{I}_{5} \mathrm{c}$ blue on white, black surcharge

February 1892.
Regular issues of the Unpaid Letter stamps of the French Colonies surcharged in black "Obock".
15 20c black
16 30c
7 , 60c "

1852.

Type set, printed in black on thin grayish blue wove paper, four varieties of each value: it is not known whether the four varieties of each value were on the same sheet, no unsevered pair of these stamps ever having been met with.

Size $18 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.


I I5c black, grayish blue paper 4 varieties
$230 c$ black, grayish blue paper,

## Reprints.

4 varieties
1866.

Type set, printed in black on blue wove paper, three varieties of each value, the six stamps being printed on one sheet in two horzontal rows of three stamps each; only the first three types of each value were reprinted, the cliche's of the two others being too much damaged by rust.
$\begin{array}{ll}3 & 15 c \\ 4 & \text { black, blue paper, } 3 \text { varieties } \\ 40 c & \text { " }\end{array}$
An infallible test for distinguishing the originals from the reprints is by the border; in the reprint it is formed by a single thick' printers' rule, while in the originals it is composed of two thin printer's rules.

Provisional issues.
December 19th, 1885.
Stamps of the French Colonies of various issues surcharged in black with initials and new value.
$I^{\circ}$ Surcharged on 1859 issue.

$5 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 40 c vermilion on yellowish
$6 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on 40 c "
Variety: Inverted surcharge,
$7 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 40 c vermilion on yellowish
Note.-A variety surcharged 52c instead of 25 c has hitherto bcen catalogued, but recently it has been proven beyond any doubt that this was merely a fraud concocted by one of the officials charged with the surcharging of these stamps.
$2^{\circ}$ Surcharged on 1871-72 issues.


[^2]Reunion.
$3^{\circ}$ Surcharged on 1879 issue.


I4 5 c on 40 O vermilion on straw $15 \quad 10 c$ on $40 c$
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
I6 25 c on 40 c vermilion on straw
May 20th, 1886.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1879 issue surcharged in black with initial and new value; same type of surcharge as in preceding issue.
175 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
I8 20 con 30 c
July 18 gi .
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1872-86 issues surcharged in black REUNION.
I. Stamps of the 1872-73 issues surcharged diagonally in black REUNION.


I9 40 c orange on yellowish 20 8oc carmine on pinkish
II. Stamps of the 1877-79 issues surcharged diagonally in black REUNION.


21 3or brown on yellowish
22 4oc vermilion on straw
23 75c carmine on rose
24 Ifr bronze green on straw
III. Stamps of the 188I. 86 issues surcharged diagonally in black REUNION.


Perforated $14 \times 135 / 2$.
25 Ic black on blue
${ }_{2 c}$ brown on buff
4 c claret on lavender
5 c green on greenish
roc black on lavender
15 c blue on white
2oc red on green
25 c black on rose
35c black on yellow
40 c red on straw
75 c carmine on rose
Ifr bronze green on straw
$V$ arieties:
. RIUNION instead of REUNION. ic black on blue 2c brown on buff 4 c claret on lavender ${ }_{5 c} \mathrm{c}$ green on greenish
roc black on lavender
15 c blue on white
.20c red on green
25 c black on rose
35 c black on yellow
40 c red on straw
75 c carmine on rose
ifr bronze green on straw
b. REUN ON instead of REUNION. 5c green on greenish
. IEUNION instead of REUNION.
roc black on lavender
d. REUN ION instead of REUNION.

5I 20 c red in green
e. PEUNION instead of REUNION.

52 2Oc red on green
RUNION instead of REUNION.
53 20c red on green
December, 1891.
Stamps of issue of July, I891, surcharged in black with new value, three different types on each sheet, as follow:: 54 of type I ,
70 of type II and 26 of type III.


65 2c on $20 c$ red on gieen, "، II
$66 \quad 2 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green, " III
Varieties:
a. RUÉNION instead of RÉUNION.

67 2c on 2oc red on green, lype I
b. RÉUNOIN instead of RÉUNION.
$68 \quad 2 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green, type I
$692 \mathrm{c} \cap \mathrm{n} 20 \mathrm{c}$ red on gieen, " II
c. KEUNI ON in two words.

70 2c,on $20 c$ red on green, type I
d. REUNIO N in two words.

7I 2c on $20 c$ red on green, type I
October 1891 .
Stamps of preceding issue surcharged in black with new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$54 \quad$ o2c on $20 c$ red on green
$55 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
Varieties:
a. RUNION instead of REUNION.

56 o2c on $20 c$ red on green
57 I5c on 20 c red on green
b. PEUNION instead of REUNION.

58 o2 on 2oc red on green
$59 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 cc red on green
c. Figures of value slanting.

60 o2 on $20 c$ red on green
$61 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
d. "o" placed lower than the " 2 "

62 o2c on $20 c$ red on green
e. " I " placed lower than the " 5 "

63 15c on 200 red on green

UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.
1889.

Provisional issue.
Type set, printed on white wove paper in sheets of ten stamps in two horizontal rows of five slamps each, all differing from one another in minute details; the varieties are the same for the four values, the figures representing the denomination of value excepted. Size $171 / 2 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.



St. Pierre and Miqueion.

## Provisional issues.

January 6th, 1885.
Stamps of the French Coonies of the 188I issue surcharged in black with initials and new value; the figure " 5 " is inverted.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
I 5 c on 2 c brown on buff
Varieties :
a. S. P. M. also inverted.

25 c on 2 c brown on buff
b. Surcharged " 5 " on the face and S. P. M. on the reverse.
$3 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 2 c brown on buff
March 7th, 1885.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1877 issue surcharged in black with initials aud new value.


Type I.


Type II.

4 25con Ifr bronze green on"straw, type I 525 c on Ifr
Varieties:
a. "S. P. M." on top, " 25 " below.
$6 \quad 25 \mathrm{C}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw, type I
b. Surcharge inverted.
$7 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw, type I
$8 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw, tyye II
c. Surcharged vertically, reading upwards.
$9 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw, type I
io 25 c on Ifr " " " type II
d. Surcharged vertically, reading downwards.
II 25 C on If bronze green on straw, type I I2 25 C on Ifr " " " type II e. S. P. M. horizontally, inverted, and " 25 " vertically, reading upwards.
12a 25 c on Ifr bronze green on straw, type I
March 26th, 1885.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1881 issue surcharged in black with initials and new value.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
I3 5 c on 4 c claret on lavender
Variety: Surcharge inverted.
$14 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 4 c claret on lavender
July 7th 1885.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1879 issue surcharged in black with initials and now value; these and the stamps of the fol lowing issue were surcharged three at a lime with a handstamp; the length of the bar between the value and the initials is uniform on the 5 c but varies on the 10 and 15 c .

$I^{0}$ " $S^{\prime}$ " Imm distant from $P$. I5 $5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O5})$ on 40 c vermilion on straw
I6 10 con 40 c I6 IOc on 40 c " " " I5c on 40 c
Kariety: M inverted.
I 8 Ioc on $40 c$ vermilion
$2^{\circ}$ " $S^{\prime} 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ distant from P .
I9 Ioc on 40 c vermilion on straw
20 I5C on 40 C "
End of 1885.
Stamps of the French Colonies of vaiious issues surcharged in black with initials and new value.

$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Surcharged on 1877-79 issues: $21 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5)$ on 35 c black on yellow $225 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O})$ on 75 c carmine on light rose $235 \mathrm{c}(05)$ on Ifr bronze green on straw Varieties.
a. P M instead of S P M.

5c (05) on 35c black on yellow
P. M. S. instead of S. P. M.
$5 \mathrm{c}(\mathrm{O} 5$ ) on 35c black on yellow
M.S.P. instead of S. F. M.

265 C (05) on ifr bronze green on straw
Doubtless other varieties of these stamps exist.
$2^{\circ}$ Surcharged on 1881 issue.
Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$275 \mathrm{c}(05)$ on 20 c red on green
1886.

Type set, handstamped on white wove paper.


5c black
roc "
15c "

## May 189r.

Stamps of the French Colonies of the $188 \mathbf{I}$ issue surcharged in black with initials and new value; there are two types of the surcharge on the 35 c .


Type I.


Type 11.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$31 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 30 c brown on bistre, type I
15 c on 35 c black on yellow, " I
15 c on 35 c " " " II
34 I 5 c on 40 c red on straw, type I.
Varieties: Surcharge inverted.
I5c on 30 c brown on bistre, type I
15 c on 35 c black on yellow I5c on 40 c red on straw
November, 1891.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1881.
86 issue; surcharged diagonally St. Pierre
M-on.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$I^{\circ}$ Red surcharge.
Ic black on blue
39 2c brown on buff
$40 \quad 4 \mathrm{c}$ claret on lavender

41 IOc black on lavender

## Varieties:

a. Surcharge inverted. ic black on blue 2c brown on buff 4 c claret on lavender ioc black on lavender
The 5 th, 9 th, 13 th, 17 and 2Ist stamps in each p7ne of 25 stamps were inverted.
c. No hyphen between ST and PIERRE. ic black on blue 2c brown on buff 4 c claret on lavender
ioc black on lavender
$2^{\circ}$ Black surcharge. ic black on blue 2c brown on buff 4 c claret on lavender 5 c green on greenish
I5c blue on white
2oc red on green
25 c black on rose
30c brown on bistre
35 c black on yellow
40 c red on straw
75c carmine on rose
Ifr bronze green on straw
Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.
ic black on blue
62 a 2c brown on buff
$63 \quad 4 c$ claret on lavender
63 a 35 c black on yellow
63b 75c carmine on rose
63c Ifr bronze green on straw
b. S of ST missing.

5c green on greenish
I5c blue on white
20c red on green
25 c black on rose
30c brown on bistre
35 c black on yellow
$40 c$ red on straw
75 c carmine on rose
Ifr bronze green on straw
Only one stamp (the $24^{\text {th }}$ in the left part of the sheet) on each sheet of fifty has this error.
c. No hyphen between ST and PIERRE. ic black on blue 2c brown on buff 4 c claret on lavender 5 c green on greenish
15c blue on white
$78 \quad$ 2oc red on green
79 30c brown on b.stre
35 C black on sellow
40 c red on straw
75 c carmine on ruse
ifr bronze green on straw
Only one stamp (the 23 d in the pane) has this error, but it is not to be found on all the sheets.

November, 189 I.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188i86 issues surcharged in black with name and new value.


Perforated $14 \times 13 \frac{1}{2}$.
84 Ic on 5c green on greenish
85 2c on loc black on livender
$86 \quad 4 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green

## Varieties:

a. With double surcharge.
$872 \times 2 \mathrm{c}$ on loc black on lavender
b. No hyphen between ST and PIERRE.

88 IC on 5c green on greenish
$89 \quad 2 \mathrm{c}$ on loc black on lavender $90 \quad 4 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green

Besides the-e there are a number of minor varieties formed by the relative position of the letters of the surchasge.

January, 1892.
Same as preceding issue, but surcharged on stamps of different denomination, black surcharge.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
9 I Ic on Ioc black on lavender
92 2c on 15 c blue on white
934 c on 30 c brown on bistre
$94 \quad 4 c$ on $40 c$ red on straw
Varieties: Without hyphen between ST and PIERRE.
95 IC on Ioc black on lavender
$96 \quad 2 \mathrm{c}$ on I 5 c blue on white
97 4c on 3oc brown on bistre
984 c on 40 c red on straw
There are also a number of minor varieties formed by the relative position of the letters of the surcharge.

Sénégal.
Provisional issues.
April 8th 1887.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188 I issue surcharged in black with new value, the six types of surcharge are to be found on the same sheet.

Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.



Type IV. Type V. Type VI.
I5c on 200 red on green, type I
I5c on 20 c "" type II
I5c on 200 " "type IIJ I5c on 20c " " "type IV ${ }^{5} 5 \mathrm{C}$ on 20 C " " type V $15 c$ on $20 c$ " "type VI
15 c on 20 c
Variety: Without top stroke of figure $\mathbf{I}$.
$7 \quad 15 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green, type I.

End 1887.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188I issue surcharged in black with new value, the various types of surcharge being on the same sheet.

Perforated $14 \times 135 / 2$.


Type VII.


Type IX.


T'spe VIII.


Type X.


Type XI.
5 c on 20 c red on green, type VII 5 c on 20 c " " type VIII 5 c on 20 c " $"$ type IX 5 c on 200 " $\quad$ " type X 5 c on 20 c " " type XI 5 c on 30 c brown on bistre, type VII 5 c on $30 \mathrm{c} \quad$ ". $\quad$ " type IX


Type XII. Type XIII. Type XIV.

Provisional issues.
1882.

Stamps of the French Colonies of the 1879 issue surcharged in black with new value.


I 25 c on 35 c black on yellow Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.
2.25 c on 35 c black on yellow
b. Error, surcharged on 40 c stamps.

325 c on 40 c vermilion on straw
June 12th, $188+$.
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188 I issue surcharged horizontally in black with name and new value.


Type XV. Type XVI. Type XVII.

Type XVIII.


Type XIX.
I6 Ioc on 4 c claret on lavender, type XII

IOc on 4 c "، "،
Ioc on $20 c$ red on green, type XII
100 on 200 " " " XIII
roc on 200 " " " XIV
10: on 20c " " ، XV
loc on 200 " " " XVI
roc on 20c " " " XVII
Ioc on 20c " ، ، " XVIII
Ioc on 200 " " " XIX
a. Without top stroke to figure I.

28 roc on 4 c claret on lavender, type.XV
b. With broken o.

29 Ioc on 4 c claret on lavender, type XV


Type XX. Type XXI.
Type XXII.


Tahiti.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
$4 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
Varieties:
a. Surcharge inverted.
5.5 c on 20 c red on green
b. Surcharged vertically, reading upwards.

5 c on 20 c red on green
c. Surcharged vertically, reading downwards.
$7 \quad 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 20 c red on green
July 3oth, 1884 .
Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188I issue surcharged horizontally in black with name and new value.


## Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.

9 25 c on Ifr bronze on green
Varicties:
a. Surcharge inverted.

10 Ioc on 200 red on green
iI 25 c on Ifr bronze green on straw
b. Surcharged vertically, reading upwards, 12 Ioc on $20 c$ red on green
$13 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ on Ifr bronze green on straw
c. Surcharged vertically, reading downwards.
I4 Ioc on 200 red on green
1525 c on ifr bronze green on straw
The surcharges on the last two issues were applied by means of a wooden hand stamp, a different one for each value; in the 5 c on $20 c$ the $\Lambda$ of TAHITI is not barred, in the Loc on 20c, the $A$ is barred and very wide (measuring 4 mm in width), and in the 25 c on Ifr the A is narrow, measuring 3 mm . in width.

WRAPPERS.

TAHITI



We fail to see any reason why the so-called wrappers, which, by the way, are also to be found in the shape of envelopes, should have any more claim upon collectors than any other handstamp representing the amount of postage paid in cash at the post office.

In 1884 the post office at Papeete, in order to save the supply of stamps which was very small, stamped any mail matter, letters, newspapers, etc., according to the postage which was required, with the same hand stamps used to surcharge the provisional adhesives. The following have been seen, on various papers.

5 centimes
$5 \times 5$ centimes $5 \times 10$ centimes

5 centimes
$5 \times 5$ centimes $5 \times 10$ centimes

## COUNTERFEITS.

None of the stamps of the regular issues of the Frencl Colonies being of great rarity they have not tempted the manufacturers of dangerous counterfeits; wretched lithographic forgeries of these are. however, in existence, but even a tyro will distinguish these at a mere glance. The forgers, however, have shown their talent by successfully counterfeiting most of the stamps of the provisional issues and of these, the counterfeits of Diego Suarez, Madagascar and Nossi Be are especially dangerous, as it is impossible to describe the differences between the spurious and the good. We advise collectors desiring to purchase any of these to buy them only from reliable dealers, whose honesty is backed by knowledge, this last quality being sadly deficient in a good many dealers of the day.

Of the other provisional stamps, those of Gabon, New Caledonia, Reunion and St. Pierre and Miquelon have been extensively forged, but as there are too many different counterfeits, we shall not try to describe them, but shall give a few points peculiar to the genuine by the aid of which it will be easy to distinguish the 1orgeries from the genuine.

## GABON.

I 886 issue. On all the values of this issue the letters $G A B$ measure exactly 9 mm in width and the figures of value are $51 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ in height; the surcharge is printed in a glossy black ink, while on all the counterfeits that we have seen the surcharge was in a rather dull black.

1888 and 1889 issues. The figures are $51 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ high and the " 5 " is placed $3 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ higher than the I or 2 ; in the 25 c the width of the surcharge, measured from the lower left point of the " 2 " to the upper right point of the " 5 ," is $91 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.; in the 15 c the width of the surcharge is 6 mm .

## GUADELOUPE.

Of this colony the unpaid letter stamps of the $1877-78$ issues have been extensively forged ; most of the counterfeits are lithographed and are easily told by the ornaments of the frame touching one another, which is not the case in the genuine; there are also some counterfeits made by photogravure, but these may easily be recognized by the impression, which is darker and blurred.

The 25 c with large figures of value is merely a humbug.

## NEW CALEDONIA.

Of the $10 c$ of the 1888 issue, there are several forgeries, but the most dangerous is the one made by photogravure as it is identical with the genuine in every respect, except that the impression is too black and the paper too yellowish; the other counterfeitsof this stamp can readily be told by comparing them with the fac simile of the plate as illustrated by us.

## RÉUNION.

Lithographed counterfeits of the first issue are numerous but are easily told by the test which we give for distinguishing the originals from the'reprints.


The surcharge illustrated here is a fraudulent one, concocted in 1885 by some Parisian dealer; we have seen the 5 c on $2 \mathrm{c}, 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 4 c and 25 c on 20 c .

## ST. PIERRE AND MIOUELON.

Of the 1885 issue, only the 5 c on $2 \mathrm{c}, 5 \mathrm{c}$ on 4 c and 25 c on Ifr are of sufficient rarity to have tempted the forgers. On all the genuine stamps the letters S P M measure $131 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. in width. The 5 C on 2 c with curved top to the " 5 ," as on the 4 c , is a humbug as there is only one type of this provisional; on all genuine copies of this stamp the " 5 " is inverted.

## SÉNÉGAL.

This cut does not illustrate a surcharge as was claimed some years ago, but is simply a stamp of the Frer ch Colonies with the cancelling stamp of Sénégal impressed upon it; this cancellation is to be found cn neally

all the stamps (including unpaid letterstamps) of the French Colonies of the issues of 1879 and i881 either used or unused; this was done by some obliging or enterprising official in Sénégal.

## TAHITI.

1882 issue.
25 c on 35 c . The rules above and below the value measure 16 mm in length, the inside measure between the two rules is 15 mm and the outside $163 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$; the distance of the figures from the lower rule is almost $21 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$, and from the upper $53 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.

1884 issue.
5 c on 20 c . TAHITI measures 18 mm in length; the distance beiween the upper rule and TAHITI is $21 / 2$ mm ; the distance between the first and second $T$, measured at the bottom, is exactly 12 mm ; the rules are 16 mm long.

IOc on 20c. The length of rules is 18 mm ; TAHITI measures $171 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ by 4 mm ; the opening between the rules to the left is $I 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ and to the right $141 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$, the opening of the $A$ is 4 mm wide; the distance between the upper rule and TAHIII is 3 mm .
$25 c$ on Ifr. TAHITI measures $\mathbf{r} 7 \mathrm{~mm}$ by 4 mm , the opening between the rules to the left is $141 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ and to the right 14 mm ; the second I of TAHITI is a trifle shorter than the first one.

## GAMBIA.

Currency: $\mathbf{I} 2$ Pence $=\mathbf{I}$ Shilling=I pound. The pound equaling $\$ 4.86$ U. S. Currency.

## ADHESIVE STAMPS

1869. 

Embossed in color on white wove paper,
the head being colorless.
Size $181 / 2 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { I } & \text { 4p pale brown } \\ \text { 2 } & 4 \mathrm{p} \text { deep brown } \\ 3 & 6 \mathrm{p} \text { deep blue }\end{array}$
1874.

Same as preceding issue; watermarked Crown and C. C.
$\begin{array}{ll}4 & 4 \mathrm{p} \text { brown } \\ 5 & 6 \mathrm{p} \text { blue }\end{array}$
I880.
Same as preceding issue; watermarked Crown and C. C.

| Perforated 14. |  | 3p slate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6 1/2p orange | 15 | 6 p olive green |  |
| 7 Ip lake | 16 | Ish violet |  |
| 8 2p rose | 1887-91. |  |  |
| 93 P pale blue | Same as preceding issue; watermarkedCrown and C. A. |  |  |
| Io 11 6p drown |  |  |  |
| 12 Ish deep green | Perforated 14 |  |  |
| 1886. | 17 | 1/2p deep green |  |
| 1886. | 18 | ip carmine (1891) |  |
| Same as preceding issue; watermarked | 19 | 2 p orange |  |
| Crown and C. A. | 20 | 4p dark brown (1888) |  |
| Perforated 14. | 2 I | 6 p pale blue (I891) |  |
| 13 21/2p ultramarine |  |  |  |

COUNTERFEITS.
We do not know of any good counterfeits of the stamps of this colony.

## GERMANY.

## Thurn and Faxis.


#### Abstract

These stamps were issued by the Prince of the House of Thurn and Taxis who had the privilege of carrying on the postal service in many parts of Germany; this privilege dated back as far as the 15 th century and ended in 1867, by the then Prince selling to Prussia all his rights to the various postal administrations for a sum equal to $\$ 2,000,0 c 0$.

The postal district of Thurn and Taxis consisted of the following countries: The Electorate of Hesse, the Grand Duchy of Saxe Weimar, the upper part of the Principality of Schwarzburg-Sonderhausen, the Principality of Reuss, the Principality of Lippe, the Grand Duchy of Mecklenburg Strelitz, the Hanseatic cities of Hamburg, Bremen and Lubeck.

The above mentioned composed the Northern District, in all of which the postage stamps with the value expressed in silbergroschen were used, while the following countries formed the Southern District and used the postage stamp; with the value expressed in kreuzers: the Duchy of Saxe Coburg Gotha, the Principality of Schwarzburg Rudolstadt, the Duchy of Nassau, the two Principalities of Hohenzollern, the Landgravate of Hesse Homburg, the Grand Duchy of Hesse Darmstadt, the Duchy of Saxe Meiningen and the Free City of Frankfort on Main. The stainps with the value in kreuzers were not receivable for postage in the first named countries, neither were those with the value in silbergroschen available for postage in the last named countries.


Currency: Northern part of Thurn and Taxis, 30 sILbergroschen=1 THALER $=\$ 0.72$
U. S. Currency.

Southern part of Thurn and Taxis, 60 Krevzer $=1$ FLORIN $=\$ 0.40$ U. S. Currency.

## ADHESIVE STAMPS.

July Ist 1852.

Typographed in black on colored wove paper: printed at Berlin. Size $22 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$1 / 2 \operatorname{sgr}$ bluish sea green
$1 / 2$ sgr sea green.
isgr light blue
Isgr dark blue
2.gr rose

3 sgr deep yellow
3 sgr ochre yellow


Ikr bluish sea green
Ikr sea green
3 kr light blue
3 kr dark blue
6 kr rose
gkr deep yellow
9 kr ochre yellow
January ist, 1854 .
Same type, impression and paper as preceding issue.

$$
\text { I } 5 \quad 1 / 4 / \operatorname{sgr} \text { red brown }
$$

July rst, 1858.
Same type, impression and paper as preceding issue.
I6 $\quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{sgr}$ flesh
1859-60.
Same type as preceding issues with exception of the 5 and losgr and 15 and 30 kr which are of a new type; typographed in color on white wove paper, printed at Berlin. Size $22 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.


17 1/4sgr red, Nov. 1860. I8 I/2sgr green, Oct. 1859 I9 Isgr blue, Dec. I859. 2sgr rose, Nov. 1860. 3 gr red brown, Nov. 1860. 5 sgr lilac, Sept. 1859. 10 sgr orange, Sept. I859. Iosgr orange red, Sept. 1859.


| 25 | Ikr yellow green, Dec. 1859. Ikr blue green, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |
| 27 | 3 kr blue, | ، ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| 28 | 6 kr rose, | " ، |
| 29 | 9 kr yellow, | " ، |
| 30 | 15kr lilac, Sept. | 14th, 1859. |
| 31 | 30kr orange, Sept. | I4th, 1859. |
|  | 30 kr orange red, iety : Error of colo | ept. 14th, 1859. |
| 33 | 3 kr yellow green |  |
|  | 64. |  |

Same type, impression, paper etc. as preceding issue
34 1/4sgr black, July 1864.
$1 / 4 \operatorname{sgr}$ black, July I864.
$1 / 3 \operatorname{sgr}$ green, May Ist, 1863.
$1 / 2 \operatorname{sgr}$ yellow orange, Feb. I863.
$1 / 2 \operatorname{sgr}$ orange red,

Isger rose, April 1862.
2 2sgr blue, Jan. 1864.
3sgr bistre, Sept. 1863
3sgr yellow bistre, Sept. 1863.
3 kr rose, April 1862.
6 kr light blue, April 1862.
6 kr dark blue, "، "
gkr bistre,
1865-66.
Same type, paper etc. as preceding issue but printed at Frankfort on Main.

Rouletted.
$46 \quad 1 / 4 \mathrm{sgr}$ black, April 1866.
$1 / 3$ sgr green, Dec. 1865.
$1 / 2$ sgr yellow orange, Nov. 1865.
Isgr rose, Dec. I865.
2sgr blue, " "
3sgr bistre, Nov. 1865.
Ikr green, July 1865.
3 kr rose, Oct. 1865.
6kr blue, Sept. 1865.
9 kr bistre, Oct. 1865.
Variety: Pin perforated at top, rouletted at sides and bottom.
$56 \quad 3$ sgr yellow bistre
The 5 and rosgr and $I_{5}$ and 30 kr are to be found rouletted, perforated 12, 13 and pin perforated, these perforations, however, are unofficial and speculative.

## February 1867,

Same type, impression, paper, etc. as preceding issue but rouletted on colored lines of same color as the stamp.

Rouletted on colored lines.
$57 \quad 1 / 4$ sgr black
$59 \quad 1 / 2$ sgr yellow orange
Isgr rose
asgr blue
3 sgr bistre
$63 \quad 1 \mathrm{kr}$ green
$64 \quad 3 \mathrm{kr}$ rose
65 fkr blue
9 kr bistre

RETURN LETTER STAMPS.
185?
Typographed in black on white wove paper. Size, diameter 28 mm .


| 101 | Cassel, black |
| :--- | :--- |
| Io2 | Detmold, "" |
| 103 | Eisenach, "" |
| IO4 | Hamburg, " |
| IO5 | Darmstadt, black |
| 106 | Frankfort on Main, black |
| 107 | Giessen, black |
| 108 | Mainz, "، |

## ENVELOPES.

Tresses.



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October rist, $\mathbf{1 8 6 1}$
Stamp embossed in upper right corner on white wove paper; small gum (2 centimetres in length). Two lines of inscription in lilac in small capitals across the upper right corner, ein halber (Ein, zWei, drei), Sillbergroschen post-couvert or ZWei (Drei, sechs, neun) kreuzer post-couvert. Printed at Berlin.
$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Size $\mathbf{1} 46 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H.


| 207 | 2 kr yellow |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 208 | 3 kr rose |  |
| 209 | 6 kr dull blue |  |
| 210 | 9 kr stone |  |
| $2^{\circ}$ | Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$ | Tress H. |
| 211 | 1/2sgr yellow |  |
| 212 | 1/2 $\mathrm{grg}^{\text {orange }}$ |  |
| 213 | 1 sgr rose |  |
| 214 | 2sgr dull blue |  |
| 215 | 3 sgr stone |  |
| 216 | 2 kr yellow |  |
| 217 | 3 kr rose |  |
| 218 | 6 kr dull blue |  |
| 2 r 9 | 9 kr stone |  |
| 1862. |  |  |

Same type, paper and impression as preceding issue, but inscriptions in the upper right corner are in the same color as the stamp; short gum.
$r^{\circ}$ Size $146 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress $H$.
sgr orang
2 sgr dull blue
2sgr ultramarine
$224 \quad 3$ sgr pale stone
225 3sgr dark stone
$226 \quad 2 \mathrm{kr}$ pale yellow
227 2kr bright yellow
$228 \quad 3 \mathrm{kr}$ pale rose
229 3kr bright rose
$230 \quad 6 \mathrm{kr}$ dull blue
$23 \mathrm{~F} \quad 6 \mathrm{kr}$ ultramarine
232 gkr stone
$2^{\circ}$ Sixe $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H .
$1 / 2 \mathrm{sgr}$ orange red
Isgr rose
asgr dull blue
3 sgr stone
237 2kr yellow
238 3kr rose
2396 kr dull blue
$2 \not 20$ gkr stone
1863.

Same type, paper, impression etc. as preceding issue, but gummed along the entire edge of the flap.
$\mathbf{r}^{\circ}$ Size $146 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H.
2.11
$1 / 2 \mathrm{sgr}$ pale orange
1/2sgr dark orange
$1 / 2$ sgr pale yellow
$1 / 2$ sgr dark yellow
Isgr rose
isgr light rose
2sgr pale ultramarine
2*gr dark ultramarine
3sgr pale stone
3 sgr dark stone
3 sgr reddish stone
2 kr orange
2 kr pale yellow
2kr bright yellow
3 kr pale rose
3 kr bright rose
6 kr pale ultramarine
6 kr dark ultramarine
9 kr pale stone
9 kr dark stone
9 kr reddish stone
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 1 i 5 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H. $1 / 2 \operatorname{sgr}$ orange
rsgr rose
2sgr ultramarine
3 sgr stone
$266 \quad 2 \mathrm{kr}$ yellow
267 3kr rose
268 6kr ultramarine
$269 \quad 9 \mathrm{kr}$ pale stone
$270 \quad 9 \mathrm{kr}$ dark stone
Variety : Stamp without color.
$27 \mathrm{k} \quad 6 \mathrm{kr}$ white, blue inscription
December 6th, 1865
Same type, paper, impression etc. as preceding issues; inscription same color as the stamp; gummed along the entire edge of the flap. Printed at Frankfort on Main.
$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Size $\mathbf{~} 46 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress N .
$1 / 4 \mathrm{sgr}$ black
$1 / 2 \mathrm{sgr}$ pale yellow
$1 / 2 \mathrm{sgr}$ yellow orange
rsgr pale rose
rsgr bright rose
Isgr lilac rose
2 sgr ultramarine
3 sgr pale stone
3:gr reddish stone
rkr green
rkr dark green
2 kr yellow
2 kr yellow orange
3 kr pale rose
3 kr bright rose
6 kr ultramarine
9kr dark stone
9 kr reddish stone
gkr brown


## LOCAL ENVELOPES.

Prior to March 1851, Wurtemberg was also included in the Postal district of Thurn and Taxis. In 1847 stamped envelopes were sold to the public in the cities of Stuttgart, Tübingen, Ulm, Heilbronn, Ludwigsburg, and Reutlingen for letters mailed and to be delivered in the same city; these envelopes were sold at the rate of 15 and 18 kreuzers per dozen and were not sold in quantities of less than a half dozen. These envelopes were suppressed in October, I851, after the cession to Wurtemberg of the Post office Monopoly by the Prince of Thurn and Taxis.

October Ist, 1847.
Typographed on white wove paper.
Frankirter
Stadt-ibricf

> Size $146 \times 83 \mathrm{mman}$. $40 \mathrm{I} \quad(\mathrm{I} 1 / 2 \mathrm{kr}) \mathrm{red}$

November 17th, 1847.
Same type, impression, etc., as preceding issue.
Size $148 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
402 ( $1 / 4 \mathrm{kr}$ ) red

North German Confederation.

The stamps of the North German Confederation replaced those of Thurn and Taxis and were used in the same countries with the addition of the Kingdoms of Prussia and Saxony; the stamps with the value expressed in groschen were used in the northern countries and those with the value in kreuzers in the southern,

Currency: 30 GROSCHEN=I THALER $=\$ 0.72$ U. S. Currency.
60 KREUZER $=1$ FLORIN $=\$ 0.40$ U. S. Currency.

## ADHESIVE STAMPS.

January Ist 1868.
Typographed on white wove paper. Size $191 / 2 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$I^{\circ}$ Rouletted $9 \times 8$.
$1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
1/2gr orange
Igr rose
$2 g r$ blue 5 gr bistre



## STAMPS FOR THE CITY OF HAMBURG.

January Ist, 1868 ,
Typographed on white wove paper. Size $19 \times 22 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Rouletted 12.
I5I ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{sch}$ ) violet brown
1870.

Same type, paper and impression as preceding issue.

Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.
152 ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{sch}$ ) violet brown
153 ( $1 / 2 \mathrm{sch}$ ) red brown

OFFICIAL STAMPS.

January rst, 1870 ,
Typographed in black on white wove paper; colored groundwork formed of the words NORDD. POSTBEZIRK in microscopic capitals, many times repeated. These stamps are printed on paper with chemical network same as the stamps of the 1869 issue. Size $22 \times 19 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.

| 201 | $1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ black, buff groundwork |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 202 | $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ |  |  |  |
| 203 | $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ | " | " | ، |
| 204 | Igr | ، | ، ${ }^{\prime}$ | ، 6 |
| 205 | 2 gr | ، | ، | ، |
| 206 | Ikr black, gray groundwork |  |  |  |
| 207 | 2 kr |  |  | " |
| 208 | 3 kr | " | " | ' |
| 209 | 7 kr | " |  | ، |

WAR STAMPS.
(Alsace-Lorraine.)

These stamps were used by the postal authorities of the North German Confederation, during the Franco Prussian War, in those parts of France occupied by the German troops. Erroneously these stamps are generally catalogued as belonging to Alsace Lorraine, while they were used in other parts of France as well, and in fact, ceased to be used in Alsace Loraine about April 1872, when stamps of the German Empire were used in those provinces, while the war stamps continued to be used in France until the fall of 1873 .

August 15 th, 1870.
Typographed in color on white wove paper with network of same color as stamp. There are two types of these stamps: in the first one POSTES measures 12 mm in width and in the second type $121 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. Size $20 \times 23$ mm .

$I^{0}$ First type.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$. Ic olive green 2c red brown
4 c gray
4 c lilac gray
5 c green
5c yellow green
Ioc brown
roc yellow brown
20 c ultramarine
$260 \quad 20 c$ blue
$261 \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ dark brown
Varieties: Network inverted (points of
curved lines point downwards).
262 Ic olive green
263 2c red brown
264 4c gray
265 4c lilac gray
266 5c gieen
267 5c yellow green
268 Ioc brown
269 IOc yellow brown
270 20c ultramarine
$27120 c$ blue
272 25c dark brown
$2^{\circ}$ Second type.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.
273 Ic olive green
274 2c red brown
275 4c gray
4 c lilac gray
loc brown
roc yellow brown
2oc ultramarine $20 c$ blue
280 20c blue
$28 \mathrm{I} \quad 25 \mathrm{c}$ dark brown
Varieties: Network inverted.
282 Ic olive green
283 2c red brown
2844 c gray
285 4c gray lilac
286 IOc brown
287 IOc yellow brown
288 20c ultramarine
289 20c blue
290 25c dark brown

## Reprints.

1885. 

Type reset, with inverted groundwork; ale of the second type (POSTES measuring $121 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$ ).

Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.

| 291 | 1 c olive green |
| :--- | :--- |
| 292 | $2 c$ |
| 20 red brown |  |
| 293 | $4 c$ gray |
| 294 | 5c emerald green |
| 2295 | 10 c yellow brown |
| 296 | $20 c$ dull blue |
| 297 | 25 c brown |

These reprints, which are virtually counterfeits, can be distinguished by the brightness of the color, the network especially being of a much deeper impression in the reprints than in the originals.

## ENVELOPES

Tresses.


H


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P


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Shapes.


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3
January ist, 1868.
Stamp, same type as adhesives, embossed in upper right corner on white wove paper. Two lines of inscription in small capitals across the stamp Ein Groschen (Drei kreuZER) POST COUVERT.
$1^{\circ}$ Black inscription.
a. Size $147 \times 8 \not \subset \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H. Shape 2. 301 Igr rose


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4
b. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H. Shape 3 . 302 Igr rose
$2^{\circ}$ Gray inscription.
a. Size $148 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H. Shape 2.

303 Igrrose
$304 \quad 3 \mathrm{kr}$ rose
b. Size $150 \times 1$ I 5 mm . Tress H. Shape 3 .

305 Igr rose
Variety: Inscription inverted.
306 Igr rose

I 868.
Provisional.issue.
During this year an envelope of ordinary size on white laid paper, with Tress $P$ on the flap and having a I groschen stamp pasted in the upper right corner, is said to have been officially issued at Oberhausen.
Size 150xII5 mm. Tress P.

## 307 Igr rose

July 24th, 1868.
Provisional issue.
In order to utilize the remainders of the envelopes of Brunswick, Mecklenburg Strelitz, Oldenburg, Prussia and Saxony, rouletted adhesive stamps of the North German Confederation were pasted over the embossed stamp of the envelope, and then surcharged in gray with a rectangular design formed by the words norddeutscher postbezirk in small capitals, repeated sixty times.

I. Brunswick envelopes of the 1865 issue. $\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Tress I.
a. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3. 308 Igr rose on Igr rose, gray surcharge 309 I gr rose on 2 gr blue,
3 IO Igr rose on 3 gr brown, ".
It $2 g r$ blue on $2 g r$ blue, "
b. Size $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 2.
$\begin{array}{ll}312 & \text { Igr rose on Igr rose, gray surcharge } \\ 313 & \text { Igr rose on } 2 \mathrm{gr} \text { blue, "، " }\end{array}$
313 Igr rose on 2gr blue, "، ""
314 Igr rose on 3 gr brown, " 2 gr blue on 2 gr blue, "، "
$2^{\circ}$ Tress H.
Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3 .

| Igr rose on Igr rose, gray |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 316 | surcharge |
| 317 | Igr rose on 2gr blue, "، |

$\begin{array}{lll}317 & \text { Igr rose on } 2 \mathrm{gr} \text { blue, } \\ 318 & \text { Igr rose on } 3 \mathrm{gr} \text { brown, " } & \text { " }\end{array}$
19 2gr blue on 2gr blue, " "
. Size $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 2. Igr rose on igr rose, gray surcharge igr rose on 2gr blue, "، "، Igr rose on 3 gr brown, "" 2 gr blue on 2 gr blue,
II. Mecklenburg Strelizz Envelopes of the 1864 issue.

Tress IH.
a. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3.
rgr rose on 2 sgr blue, " "
33 I Igr rose on 3 sgr brown, " " 2 gr blue on 2sgr blue" " 2 gr blue on 3sgr brown, "
III. Oldenburg Envelopes of the 1862 issue,
A. Size of stamp $21 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$I^{\circ}$ Short gum. Tress H.
a. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3 .

334 Igr rose on $1 / 2$ gr orange, gray surchge
b. Size $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 2.

339 Igr rose on $1 / 2$ gr orange, gray surcharge Igr rose on 1 gr rose,
$2^{\circ}$ Long Gum. Tress H.
Size $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 2.
Igr rose on $1 / 2$ gr orange, gray surcharge Igr rose on $1 g r$ rose,
Igr rose on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
Igr rose on 3 gr stone, gray surcharge 2 gr blue on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
B. Size of Stamp 32×32mm. (Note.)
$I^{\circ}$ Short gum. Tress H.
. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3 . Igr rose on $1 / 2$ gr orange, gray surcharge igr rose on Igr rose,
I gr rose on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
Igr rose on 3 gr stone, gray surcharge
b. Size $147 \times 8$ mm. Shape 2.

Igr rose on $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange, gray surcharge igr rose on igr rose, "، " Igr rose on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
Long gum . Tress H.
S'ze $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 2.
Igr rose on $1 / 2$ gr orange, gray surcharge Igr rose on igr rose,
Igr rose on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
Igr rose on 3 gr stone, gray surcharge $2 g r$ blue on 2 gr ultramarine, gray surcharge
IV. Prussian Envelopes of $\mathbf{1 8 6 1}$ issue (Inscription above stamp).
Short gum. Tress H.
a. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 4 .

Igr rose on isgr rose, gray surcharge
369 Igr rose on 2 sgr blue, "،
360 Igr rose on 2sgr blue, "، "
361 igr rose on 3 sgr stone, " "،
b. Size $147 \times 84 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 1 .

Igr rose on 2 sgr rose, gray surcharge
Igr rose on 2sgr blue, "، "،
igr rose on 3 sgr stone, " ". "
2 gr blue on 2 sgr blue
V. Prussian Envelopes of 1863 issue (Inscription across stamp):
A. Short gum. Tress H.
a. Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Shape 3 .

367 Igr rose on isgr rose, gray surcharge
368 Igr rose on 2 sgr blue,
369 Igr rose on 3 sgr stone, " "
$37^{\circ}$ 2gr blue on 2sgr blue, " "
b. Size $147 \times 84$. Shape 2.
igr rose on Isgr rose, gray surcharge
Note.-As the ordinary stamps of the North German Confederation were too small to cover the embossed stamps on the Oldenburg enveloper, special stamps were printed with an extra wide margin so as to cover the envelope stamp entirely.


## ENVELOPES USED AT THE

Victoria National Invaliden Stiftung.
(The Victoria National Asylum for Invalids.)

The inmates of this institution enjoyed the privilege of sending letters of any size or weight for $1 / 3$ groschen.

January Ist, 1868.
Stamp of same type as adhesives embossed in upper right corner;inscription in lower left corner.
A. Inscription in lower left corner reads : "Angeligenheit dor Virtoria National Invaliden Stiftung," (Business of the Victoria National Asylum for Invalids), in ordinary heavy type, in three lines.

Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
$501 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
B. Inscription in lower left corner reads : "Angelegenheiten der Victoria National Invaliden Stiftung," (Business of the Victoria National Asylum for Invalids), in various types.
I. Inscription in ordinary heavy type in three lines.
$I^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 122 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
$502 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$2^{0}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
$503 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
II. Inscription in German script type in two lines.
$I^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 122 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
$504 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper. $505 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
III. Inscription in German script type in three lines.
$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size 188 xI 22 mm .
White wove paper.
$506 \quad 1 / 3$ gr green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper. $507 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
IV. Inscription in English script type in two lines.
$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size 188 xi 22 mm .
White wove paper.
$508 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$2^{\circ}$ Size I $50 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
$509 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
V. Inscription in Gothic type in two lines.
$I^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper. 510 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
5II $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
VI. Without any inscription.
$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 122 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
$512 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
$513 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$3^{\circ}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
a. Thick yellowish wove paper.

5I4 1/3gr green
b. White wove paper.
$515 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green

## WAR ENVELOPES.

Envelopes used during the Franco-Prussian war for letters sent to or by soldiers belonging to the German army. Most of these, if not all, were not issued by the Government, and we shall therefore not catalogue them.

## Postal District of the German. Empire.

The Postal District of the German Empire consists of the whole of the German Empire with the exception of the kingdoms of Bavaria and Wurtemberg. Until 1875 , the stamps with the value expressed in groschen were used in the northern countries, and those with the value in kreuzer in the southern. Since 1875 only stamps in pfennig were used throughout the whole of the Postal District of the German Empire.

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Currency: 30 GROSCHEN=1 THALER=$0.72 U. S. Currency.
    60 KREUZER=I FLORIN=$0.40 U. S, Currency.
    IOO PFENNIG=I MARK=$0.24 U. S. Currency.
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## ADHESIVE STAMPS.

Vanuary ist, 1872.
Typographed in color on white wove paper, the eagle being embossed without color.

Size $191 / 2 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.
$1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$1 / 3$ gr yellow green
$1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ vermilion
$1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow orange
Igr rose
2gr ultramarine
5 gr bistre
Ikr green
2 kr vermilion
$2 \mathrm{kr}_{i}$ yellow orange
3 kr rose 7 kr ultramarine 18kr bistre
Varieties:
a. Unperforated. $2 g r$ ultramarine 5 gr bistre
b. Eagle inverted.
$1 / \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$1 / 3$ gr yellow green
$1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow orange
Igr rose
2gr ultramarine
5 gr bistre
ikr green
2 kr yellow orange
3 kr rose
7 kr ultramarine
18kr bistre

January Ist, 1872.
Typographed on white wove paper, with groundwork of the value repeated many times in minute capitals: ZEHN (DREISSIG) groschen.

Size $22 \times 191 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
27 Iogr gray
28 3ogr blue
These stamps were not sold to the public, but were used only by the postal clerks on mail matter on which the postage had been paid in cash.

## June ist, 1872.

Similar to issue of January, 1872, but with streamers at the sides of the crown and large shield in eagle ; typographed on white wove paper, the eagle embossed without color. Size $191 / 2 \times 23 \mathrm{~mm}$.


Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.
$1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange
Igr rose
2 gr ultramarine
5 gr bistre

|  |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 35 | Ikr green |
| 36 | 2 kr orange |
| 37 | 3 kr rose |
| 38 | 7 kr ultramarine |
| 39 | I 8 kr bistre |
| Varieties : |  |
| a. Unperforated |  |
| 40 | $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange |
| 4 I | Igr rose |
| 42 | 5 gr bistre |
| b. Eagle inverted. | $1 / \mathrm{gr}$ violet |
| 43 | $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green |
| 44 | $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange |
| 45 | Igr rose |
| 46 | 2 gr ultramarine |
| 47 | 5 gr bistre |
| 48 | Ikr green |
| 49 | 2 kr orange |
| 50 | 3 kr rose |
| 5 I | 7 kr ultramarine |
| 52 | I kr bistre |
| 53 | c. Error of color. |
| 54 | 2 gr brown |
| This stamp is catalogued by some as being |  |
| an essay ; however, we have seen several |  |
| which undoubtedly passed the post, and in |  |
| the absence of any proof to the contrary |  |
| shall catalogue it as an error. |  |

November Ist, 1872.
Same type, etc., as preceding issue.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.

## $2^{1 / 2} \mathrm{gr}$ brown

$56 \quad 21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange brown
57 9kr brown
58 9kr orange brown
Varieties: Eagle inverted.
59 2 $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown

## $60 \quad 9 \mathrm{kr}$ brown

February 1874 .
Same type, impression, paper etc., as preceding issue, surcharged with large numeral of value in same color as the remainder of the impression.


## Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.

6I $21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown
$62 \quad 21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange brown
63 9kr brown
$64 \quad 9 \mathrm{kr}$ orange brown
Varieties: Eagle inverted.
$65 \quad 21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange brown
$66 \quad 9 \mathrm{kr}$ orange brown
January ist, $\mathbf{I} 875$.
Typographed in color on white wove paper; three types, the first for the 3 and 5 pfennige, the second for the three higher values of pfennige and the third for the 2 Mark. Sizes: 3 and 5 pf ., $181 / 4 \times 211 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.; 10 pf . etc., $171 / 2 \times 211 / 2 \mathrm{~mm} . ; 2$ Mark, $22 \times 19 \mathrm{~mm}$.

$I^{\circ}$ Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
3pf green
5 pf violet
ropf rose
2opf blue
25pf brown
50pf gray

$2^{\circ}$ Perforated $141 / 2 \times 131 / 2$.
2 M violet
This stamp was not sold to the public.
May 1877.
Same type, impression and paper as corres-
ponding value of issue of January 1875
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14$.
7450 pf bronze green
March 1880.
Same types as corresponding values of preceding issues but pfennig spelled without final E. Typographed in color on white wove paper.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
$3 p f$ green
5pf violet
Iopf rose
sopf blue
25pff brown
50pf bronze green
Variety: Unperforated.
8I 3pf green
1882.

Same type as corresponding value of issue of January 1875 ; typographed in color on white wove paper.

Perforated $141 / 2 \times 131 / 2$.
$82 \quad 2 \mathrm{M}$ rose violet

## 1884-88.

Same type as corresponding values of 1880 and 1882 ; printed in aniline ink on white wove paper.
$I^{\circ}$ Perforated $131 / 2 \times 14^{1 / 2}$.
3pf green
5pf violet
ropf rose
2opf blue
25pf brown
50pf bronze green
50pf dark bronze green (1888)
$2^{\circ}$ Perforated $141 / 2 \times 131 / 2$.
2 M rose lilac
October Ist, 1889.
Typographed in color on white wove paper; two types, one for the 3 and 5 pfennig, the other for the higher values. Size $181 / 2 \times 2$ I $1 / 2$ mm.


Perforated $531 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
$9 \mathrm{I} \quad 3 \mathrm{pf}$ brown
92 5pf green
93 Iopf carmine
94 2opf blue
$95 \quad 25 \mathrm{pf}$ orange
96 5opf red brown
1890.

Counterfeits used postally.
During this year the 10 pfennig stamps
were counterfeited in order to defraud the Government ; they were manufactured in Frankfurt am Main. The principal difference is in the eagle, the feathers of which touch the circle in the counterfeit, which they do not in the genuine.

Typographed on white wove paper.
Perforated $141 / 2$.
97 Iopf carmine

RETURN LETTER STAMPS.
1872.

Embossed in blue on white wove paper. Scalloped border.


| 301 | Aachen, | blue |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 302 | Arnsberg, | ، |
| 303 | Berlin, | " |
| 304 | Bremen, | " |
| 305 | Breslau, | ، |
| 306 | Bromberg, | " |
| 307 | Braunschweig, | ، |
| 308 | Carlsrulhe, (Baden) | " |
| 309 | Cassel, | " |
| 310 | Coblentz, | ، |
| 3 10a | Cöln, | ، |
| 311 | Constanz, | ، |
| 312 | Cöslin, | . |
| 312 a | Danzig, | . |
| 313 | Darmstadt, | ، |
| 314 | Dresden, | ، |
| 315 | Diüsseldorf, | ، |
| 316 | Elberfeld, | '6 |


| 317 | Erfurth, | blue |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 318 | Frankfurt am Main, |  |
| 319 | Frankfurt an der Oder, | " |
| 320 | Gumbinnen, |  |
| 32 I | Halle, (Saale) | , |
| 322 | Hamburg, |  |
| 323 | Hannover, |  |
| 324 | Kiel, |  |
| 325 | Königsberg, | , |
| 326 | Leipzig, | ' |
| 327 | Liegnitz, | ، |
| 328 | Magdeburg | ' |
| 329 | Minden, |  |
| 330 | Metz, | " |
| 331 | Münster, | '6 |
| 332 | Oldenburg, | ، |
| 333 | Oppeln, | , |
| 334 | Posen, | . |
| 335 | Potsdam, | ، |
| 336 | Schwerin, | ، |
| 337 | Stettin, | '6 |
| 338 | Strasburg, | " |
| 339 | Trier, | , |

1888. 

Same type as preceding issue, but printed in black on the occasion of the death of the Emperor.

| 340 | Aachen, | black |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 34 I | Cöln, | $"$ |
| 342 | Hamburg, | $"$ |
| 343 | Leipzig, | $"$ |
| 344 | Minden, | $"$ |
| 345 | Metz, | $"$ |

ENVELOPES.
Tresses.

H.

SHAPES.


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January 1st, 1872.
Stamp, of same type as adhesives of issue of same date, embossed in upper right corner on white wove paper. Two lines of inscription in minute capitals in gray, across the stamp: EIN GROSCHEN (DREI KREUZER) POSTcouvert. There are two distinct types of the I groschen envelope, consisting in the size of the numerals of value; in the first type the figures " 1 " measure $31 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$. in height and in the second type llwy measure $33 / 4 \mathrm{~mm}$.; there are also small differenc es in the figures " 3 " of the 3 kreuzer envelopes.

## $\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size I 48 x 85 mm .

Tress H. Shape i.
$501 \quad 1 \mathrm{gr}$ rose, type I
502 Igr rose, type II
$503 \quad 3 \mathrm{kr}$ rose
Variety: Small figure of value to the left, large figure of value to the right.
504 Igr rose
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Tress H. Shape 2.
505 Igr rose, type I
506 Igr rose, type II
June ist, 1872.
Stamp, of same type as adhesives of issue of same date (eagle with streamers and large shield), embossed in upper right corner on white wove paper. Two lines of inscription in in preceding issue; the same types occur as the figures of value as in preceding issue.

I ${ }^{0}$. Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Tress H. Shape I. 507 Igr rose, type I 508 Igr rose, type II 5093 kr rose
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Tress H. Shape 2. 5 IO Igr rose, type I 5 II Igr rose, type II

September $\mathbf{I}$, 1873.
Same as preceding issue, but without inscription across stamp.
$I^{0}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Tress H. Shape I.
512 Igr rose, type I
513 Igr rose, type II.
$514,3 \mathrm{kr}$ rose
Variety: Stamp embossed without color. 514a 3 kr white
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 x i 15 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Tress H. Shape 2.
515 Igr rose, type I
516 Igr rose, type II
January Ist, 1875.
Stamp, same type as adhesives of issue of corresponding date, embossed in upper right corner on white wove paper.

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\mathrm{I}^{\circ} \text { Size } 148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}
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Tress H. Shape 1.
517 Iopf rose

| $2^{\circ}$ Size $\mathrm{I} 50 \times \mathrm{l} 55 \mathrm{~mm}$. | Tress H. Shape 3. |
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| Tress H. Shape 2. | 524 Iopf rose |
| 518 Iopf rose | Variety: Stamp embossed without color. 525 Iopf blue |
| October 1875. | $2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| Same as preceding issue, but flaps of differ- | Tress H. Shape 5. |
| ent shapes. | 526 Iopf rose |
| $\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. | Variety: Stamp embossed without color. |
| Tress H. Shape 3. | 527 Iopf blue |
| 519 Iopf rose | End 1876. |
| $2^{\circ}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. | Same as preceding issue, pfennig |
| Tress H. Shape 4. | spelled without the final E. Blue wove |
| 520 Iopf rose | paper. |
| $3^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. | $\mathrm{I}^{0}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| Tress H. Shape 5. | Tress H. Shape 3. |
| 52 I Iopf rose | 528 Iopf rose |
| June 1876. | Variety: Stamp embossed without color. 529 Iopf blue |
| Same as preceding issue on various papers and flaps of different shapes. | $2^{0}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. Tress H. Shape 5. |
| I. White laid paper. $\mathrm{I}^{0}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 530 ropf rose <br> Variety: Stamp embossed without color. <br> 53 I Iopf blue |
| Tress H. Shape 3. 522 Iopf rose | October 1889. |
| $2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$. |  |
| ${ }_{523}^{\text {Tress H. Shape } 5 .}$ | same date, typographed in upper right corner on blue wove paper. |
| 523 Iopf rose | Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. |
| II. Blue wove paper. | Tress H. Shape 3. |
| $\mathrm{I}^{0}$ Size $148 \times 85 \mathrm{~mm}$. | 532 Iopf carmine |

ENVELOPES PRINTED BY SPECIAL REQUEST.
1872.

Stamp, same type as adhesives of issue of June and November 1872 (eagle with streamers and large shield), embossed in upper right corner on various papers, sizes and shapes. These envelopes were issued by the Post Office Department on special orders of private parties, who, themselves, supplied the envelopes.
Average size $150 \times 82 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$I^{\circ}$ White laid paper.
$601 \quad 1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$602 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
603 1/2gr orange
Igr rose
2 gr ultramarine
$21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown
5gr bistre
rkr green
2 kr orange
3 kr rose
7 kr ultramarine
gkr brown
18 kr bistre
${ }^{\circ}$ Pink laid paper.

| 614 | $1 / \mathrm{gr}$ violet |
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| 615 | $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green |
| 6 I 6 | $1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange |
| 617 | 1 gr rose |
| 6 I 8 | 2 gr ultramarine |
| 619 | $21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown |
| 620 | 5 gr bistre |
|  |  |
| 62 I | Ikr green |
| 622 | 2 kr orange |
| 623 | 3 kr rose |
| 624 | 7 kr ultramarine |
| 625 | 9 kr brown |
| 620 | 18 kr bistre |

$3^{\circ}$ Blue laid paper.
$627 \quad 1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$628 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
629 1/2gr orange
Igr rose
2 gr ultramarine
$21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown
5 gr bistre
Ikr green
2 kr orange
3 kr rose
7 kr ultramarine
9 kr brown
18 kr bistre
$4^{0}$ Lilac laid paper.
$1 / 4 \mathrm{gr}$ violet
$1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$1 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ orange
Igr rose
2gr ultramarine
$21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown
5 gr bistre
Ikr green
2 kr orange
3 kr rose
7 kr ultramarine
9kr brown
18kr bistre
$5^{\circ}$ Green laid paper.
653 1/4 gr violet
654 1/3gr green
655 1/2 gr orange
656 Igr rose
657 2gr ultramarine
$658 \quad 21 / 2 \mathrm{gr}$ brown
$659 \quad 5 \mathrm{gr}$ bistre
$660 \quad$ Ikr green
661 2 kr orange


Issued only in large quantities to parties using them as an advertising medium and who sold them to the public at less than face value. The outside and inside, with exception of the part forming the face and back when folded in envelope shape, were covered with advertisements.

November 1873.
Stamp same type as adhesives of issue of June 1872. Size $447 \times 286 \mathrm{~mm}$.; when folded in envelope shape, I $32 \times 115 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$I^{\circ}$ White wove paper.
701
Igr rose

December 15th, 1871.
Stamp, same type as adhesives of corresponding issue, embossed to the right on white wove paper.

Size $350 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
8 or $1 / 3$ gr yellow green
802 Ikr yellow green
Variety: Stamp embossed without color.
803 Ikr white
June ist, 1872.
Stamp, same type as adhesives of same date, embossed to the right on white wove paper.
Size $350 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$804 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
$805 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
806 Ikr green
807 Ikr yellow green
Variety: Stamp embossed without color.
808 Ikr white
January ist 1875 .
Stamp, same type as adhesives of same date, typographed to the right Green border measuring 235 mm . along upper and lower edges.

White wove paper.
Size $350 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
809 3pf yellow green
810 3pf blue green
March 1880.
Same as preceding but stamp with PFENnig spelled without the final E .

## LETTER COVERS.

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702 \quad \begin{aligned}
& 2^{\circ} \text { Bluish wove paper. } \\
& \text { Igr rose }
\end{aligned}
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December 1880.
Stamp same type as adhesives of 1880 issue ; size $318 \times 265 \mathrm{~mm}$; when folded, $158 \times 95 \mathrm{~mm}$.

Yellowish white wove paper
703 ropf rose
May 188 I .
Same as preceding issue but on bluish wove paper.
$7 \mathrm{O}+$ Iopf rose
WRAPPERS.
$I^{\circ}$ Yellowish white wove paper.
Size $350 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
8ir 3pf yellow green
812 3pf blue green
$2^{\circ}$ Bluish white wove paper.
Size $350 \times 64 \mathrm{~mm}$.
813 3pf yellow green
814 3pf blue green
August 1883 .
Similar to preceding issue, but wrapper of different shape; green border across width of wrapper, if mm above and 22 mm below the stamp; two dotted lines for address ; above the first line "An" in German type and to the left of the second "in" also in German type. Truncated corners 15 mm ., long.

Yellowish white wove paper.
Size $162 \times 230 \mathrm{~mm}$.
815 3pf dark green
816 3pf blue green
August 1888.
Same as preceding issue, but truncated corners 40 mm long.

Yellowish white wove paper.
Size $162 \times 230 \mathrm{~mm}$.
817 3pf dark green
818 3pf blue green
October 1889.
Same as preceding issue, but stamp of same
type as adhesives of the issue of October 1889.
Yellowish white wove paper.
Size $162 \times 230 \mathrm{~mm}$.
819 3pf brown

WRAPPERS PRINTED BY SPECIAL REQUEST.

Issued in the same way as the envelopes of same character and the letter covers.

## 1872.

Stamp, of same type as adhesives of the issue
of June 1872 (Eagle with streamers and large shield), embossed to the right on various papers.

Size $290 \times 50 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$I^{\circ}$ White batonne paper
$901 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green
902 Ikr green
$2^{\circ}$ Blue batonne paper
$903 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green

| 904 Ikr green | $5^{\circ}$ Yellow batonne paper. |
| :---: | :---: |
| $3^{\circ}$ Rose batonne paper. | $9091 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green |
| $905 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green | 910 Ikr green |
| 906 Ikr green | $6^{\circ}$ Lilac laid paper. |
| $4^{\circ}$ Green batonne paper | $9 \mathrm{II} 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green |
| $9071 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ green | 9I2 Ikr green |
| 908 tkr green |  |

## PNEUMATIC ENVELOPES.

December 1876.
Stamp, same type as adhesives of current issue, embossed in upper right corner ; to the left of the stamp, inscription in ordinary capitals ROHRPOST-BRIEF. Below, three lines for address.
Pink wove paper.
Size $126 \times 81 \mathrm{~mm}$.

IOOI 30pf dark blue Oct. 1889.
Same as preceding issue with stamp of same type as adhesives of current issue, and inscription in Gothic letters.

Pink wove paper
Size $126 \times 81 \mathrm{~mm}$.
ro02 30pf dark blue

## ENVELOPES USED IN VARIOUS ASYLUMs FOR INVALIDS.

A. Victoria National Invaliden Stiftung (theVictoria National Asylum for Invalids).
January 1872
I. Provisional issue.

Remainder of the envelopes of the Victoria National Invaliden Stiftung of the North German Confederation, with the stamp surcharged in black " PP " in oblong frame and covered with a $1 / 3$ groschen adhesive stamp of the German Empire of the 1871 issue.
$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Inscription in ordinary heavy type in three lines.
a. Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.

White laid paper.
thoi $1 / 3$ gr yellow green
b. Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$

White wove paper.
Ito2 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$2^{\circ}$ Inscription in German script type in two lines.
a. Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.

White wove paper.
1 Lo3 $1 / 3$ gr yellow green
b. Size $150 x 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.

White laid paper.
IIO4 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$3^{\circ}$ Inscription in English script type in two lines.

Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
IIO5 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$4^{\circ}$ W'ithout inscription.
a. Size 3 Soxi 30 mm .

Thick yellowish wove paper.
1 Io6 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
b. Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.

White wove paper.
$1107 \mathrm{I} / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
II. Regular issue.

Same as preceding but with stamp of same type as adhesives of 1871 issue embossed in upper right corner. Inscription in two lines in Gothic type.
$I^{\circ}$ Sizé $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
$1108 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
IIO9 1/3gr yellow green
$3^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
IIIO $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
January 1872.
Same as preceding issue, but with stamp of current issue.
I. With two lines of inscription in Gothic type.
$I^{0}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
IIII $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$2^{0}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
III2 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$3^{n}$ Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
III3 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
II. Without inscription.

Size $240 \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
III4 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
B. Kaiser Wilhelm Stiftung (Emperor William Asylum.)

## 187 I.

Stamp, same type as adhesives of current issue, embossed in upper right corner; two lines of inscription in Gothic type in lower left corner.
I. Inscription reads: Angelegenheit der Kaiser Wilhelm Stiftung fïr Deutsche Invaliden, (Business of the Emperor William Asylum for German Invalids.)
$\mathbf{I}^{\circ}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
III5 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 x 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
in $16 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow'green
$3^{\circ}$ Size $153 \times 131 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
1117 I/3 gr yellow green
$4^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
III $8 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
II. Inscription reads: Angelegenheit àes Berliner Vereins der Kaiser Wilhelnus Stiftung für Deutsche Invaliden. (Business of the Berlin Branch of the Emperor William Asylum for German_Invalids.)
$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size $380 \times 130 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Thick yellowish wove paper.
III9 $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$2^{\circ}$ Size $150 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
I $120 \quad 1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$3^{3}$ Size $153 \times 13 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White laid paper.
II2I $1 / 3 \mathrm{gr}$ yellow green
$4^{\circ}$ Size $188 \times 120 \mathrm{~mm}$.
White wove paper.
II22 $1 / 3$ gr yellow green

German Offices in the Levant.
Currency: 40 PARAS $=1$ PIASTRE $=\$ 0.0+1 / 2$ U.S. Currency.

## ADHESIVE STAMPS.

January 188 f.
Stamps of the German Imperial Postal District, of the 1880 issue, surcharged in black with value in Turkish currency.


Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
I201 ropa on 5pf violet, black surcharge
1202 2opa on ropf rose,
1203 Ipia on 2opf blue,
120\& $11 / 4 \mathrm{pia}$ on 25 pf brown,
$120521 / 2 \mathrm{pia}$ on 50 pf bronze green, "

## May 1884.

Same as preceding issue, but surcharged in blue.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
1206 Ipia on 20 pf blue, blue surcharge
1887.

Same type as preceding issue, printed in aniline ink and surcharged in black with value in Turkish currency.
Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2$.
1207 Iopa on 5 pf violet, black surcharge ?
r 208 20pa on lopf rose
I209 Ipia on 2opf blue,

1210 I $1 / 4$ pia on 25 pf brown, bl'k surcharge
I2II $21 / 2$ pia on 5 opf dark bronze
green, "‘

We have seen all but the ro para stamp.
December 1889.
Stamps of the German Imperial Postal District, of the issue of October 1889 , surcharged in black with value in Turkish currency ; two types of surcharge, one for the io, 2opa and I pia, the other for the higher values.


Perforated $131 / 2 \times 141 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$.
I2I2 Iopa on 5pf green, black surcharge
1213 20pa on lopf carmine,
I2I4 Ipia on 2opf blue,
1215 I I/ pia on 25 pf orange
$\begin{array}{ll}1215 & \text { I } 1 / 4 \text { pia on 25pf orange, } \\ 1216 & 21 / 2 \text { pia on } 50 p f \text { red brown, " }\end{array}$

ENVELOPES.

## December 1889.

Envelopes of the German Imperial Postal District, of the issue of October 1889, surcharged in black with value in Turkish currency.

Tress H. Shape 3.
Blue wove paper.
I 301 20pa on topf carmine, black surcharge

## COUNTERFEITS.


#### Abstract

With the exception of those counterfeits made to defraud the government, we do not know of any good forgeries of the German stamps. The stamps of the first issues of the Thurn and Taxis Postal District have been forged, but, being lithographed, they are easily detected. But where the counterfeiters have done some of their fine work is in the manufacture of stamps of the German Imperial Postal District with inverted eagle; this was done by removing the original embossing of these stamps and stamping a bogus eagle in their place ; this fraud is very hard to detect.


## GIBRALTAR.

## Currency; 12 Pence= $=1$ SHilling; 20 SHillings $=1$ POUND.

The pound equaling $\$ 4.86$ U. S. Currency. IOO Centimos=I peseta $=\$ 0$. i9 U. S. Currency.

ADHESIVE STAMPS.

January 1886.
Stamps printed from the plates of the Bermuda stamps and surcharged in black GIBRALTAR; typographed in color on white wove paper; the two pence is of a similar type to the 6 pence and the shilling of a similar type to the one penny.

Watermarked Crown and C. A.


Perforated 14.
1/2p green, black surcharge ip rose,
2 p brown violet,
$21 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ blue,
4 p orange, ، 4 p orange, op violet,
ish bistre,
1886-87.
Typographed in color on white wove paper, Size $181 / 2 \times 22 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{~mm}$. ; the $2,4,6$ pence and I shilling are of the same type.

Watermarked Crown and C. A.


Perforated 14.
1/2p green (Feb. 1887)
ip rose
2 p brown violet
$21 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ blue
4 p orange (April 1887)
6p violet
Ish bistre (March 1887)
August 1839 .
Provisional issue.
Owing to a change in the currency, the stamps were surcharged in black with value in Spanish currency.

- Watermarked Crown and C. A.


Perforated 14 .
5 c green
roc rose
25c blue
40 c red brown
$50 c$ lilac
75c olive
ap light brown
5 p steel blue

## [REGISTRATION ENVELOPES.

January 1886.
Registration envelopes of Barbados surcharged in black, over stamp, GIBRALTAR. Stamp embossed on flap ; white wove linenlined paper, blue inscriptions, flap to the right ; manufactured by McCorquodale \& Co.

$\mathrm{I}^{\circ}$ Size $133 \times 53 \mathrm{~mm}$. 2 p ultramarine
$2^{\circ}$ Size $152 \times 97 \mathrm{~mm}$.
102 2p ultramarine
$3^{\circ}$ Size $254 \times 178 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$103 \quad 2 \mathrm{p}$ ultramarine
$4^{\circ}$ Size $293 \times 154 \mathrm{~mm}$.
IO4 2 p ultramarine
April 1887.
Stamp embossed on flap, white wove linenlined paper, red inscriptions, flap to the right ; manufactured by McCorquodale \& Co.


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- Size $133 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$. 2 p red
$2^{\text {n }}$ Size $152 \times 97 \mathrm{~mm}$.
106 2 p red
January 1889.
Same as preceding issue, but flap more curved; manufactured by Thos. De La Rue \& Co.
$\mathbf{I}^{0}$ Size $\mathbf{I} 33 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$107 \quad 2 \mathrm{pred}$
$2^{\circ}$ Size $152 \times 97 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$108 \quad 2 \mathrm{p}$ red
$3^{\circ}$ Size $254 \times \mathrm{r} 78 \mathrm{~mm}$.
IO9 2 p red
$4^{7}$ Size $293 \times 154 \mathrm{~mm}$.
I 10 2 p red


## August 1889 .

Provisional issue.
Envelopes of January 1886 and January 1889 surcharged in black with value in Spanish currency ; two types of surcharge.

$I^{\circ}$ Size $133 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$.
III 2 oc on 2 p ultramarin ', black surcharge,
II2 20 on 2 p red, black surc'large, type I $2^{\circ}$ bize $152 \times 97 \mathrm{~mm}$.
II 320 c on 2 p red, black surcharge, type I
II4 20 on 2 p red, " type II $3^{\circ}$ Size $254 \times 178 \mathrm{~mm}$.
II5 20 on 2 p red, black surcharge, type I $4^{\circ}$ Size $293 \times 15 ; \mathrm{mm}$.
II6 2 c on 2p red, black surcharge, type I

## November 1889.

Regular issue.
Stamp embossed on flap, white wove linenlined paper, red inscriptions, flap to the right ; manufactured by Thos. De La Rue \& Co.

$I^{\circ}$ Size $133 \times 83 \mathrm{~mm}$.
II7 20 cred
$2^{\sigma}$ Size $152 \times 97 \mathrm{~mm}$.
II8 20 cred
$3^{\circ}$ Size 228xioo mm.
II9 20 c red
$4^{\circ}$ Size $254 \times 178 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$120 \quad 20 \mathrm{c}$ red
$5^{\circ}$ Size $293 \times 154 \mathrm{~mm}$.
I2I 20 c red

## WRAPPERS.

Size $300 \times 125 \mathrm{~mm}$.
$201 \quad 1 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ brown red, black surcharge 1887-89.
Typographed on buff wove paper; stamp to the right.

Size $300 \times 125 \mathrm{~mm}$.
202 1/2p dark green (Arril 1887)
203 Ip carmine (March 1889)
August 1889.
Provisional issue.
Wrappers of preceding issue with stamp surcharged, in black, with value in Spanish currency.


Size $300 \times 125 \mathrm{~mm}$.
2045 c on $1 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ dark green, black surcharge 205 loc on Ip carmine,

## November 1880.

Regular issue.
Typographed on buff wove I aper. Stamp to the right.


Size $300 \times 125 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Io6 5c green

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107 \text { Ioc carmine }
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COUNTERFEITS.
We do not know of any good counterfeits of Gibraltar stamps.

## GOLD COAST.

Currency: I2 PENCE=I SHILLING; 20 SHILLINGS=I POUND.
The pound equaling $\$ 4.86$ U. S. Currency.
ADHESIVE STAMPS.

## 1875.

Typographed in color on white wove paper. Size $19 \times 221 / 2 \mathrm{~mm}$. Watermarked Crown and C. C.


Perforated $121 / 2$.
ip blue
4 p mauve
$6 p$ orange
1879.

Same as preceding issue; watermarked Crown and C. C.

Perforated It.
4 1/2p bistre
5 Ip blue
2p green
7 - 4p mauve
8 6p orange
Varieties:
a. I penny stamps cut diagonally in two, each half being used as a half penny.
$9 \quad 1 / 2 p$ blue (half of Ip )
b. 2 pence stamps cut diagonally in two, each half being used as a one penny.
Io Ip green (half of 2 p )
c. 4 pence stamps cut in four, each quarter being used as a one penny.
II Ip mauve (quarter of 4 p )
1883.

Provisional issue.
4 penny stamps of preceding issue surcharged in black ID.

Watermarked Crown and C. C.
Perforated $\mathrm{I}_{4}$.
I2 Ip on 4 p mauve, black surcharge
I 884 - 85.
Same type, paper and impression as 1879 issue. Watermarked Crown and C. A.

Perforated 14.
I3 1/2p green
14 Ip rose
I5 2p gray
16 4 p mauve
Variety: One penny stam $\Gamma$ s cut diagonally
in two, each half being used as a half penny.
$17 \quad 1 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ rose (half of IP )
1886.

Same as preceding issue. Watermarked Crown and C. A.

Perforated 14.
I8 $1 / 2 \mathrm{p}$ bistre
I9 Ip blue
It is most likely that these two stamps were printed before the preceding issues, but that for some reason or other they were not sold to the public until 1886.
1888.

Same type, paper, impression etc. as issue of 1884-86.

Vatermarked Crown and C. A
Perforated $\mathrm{I}_{4}$.
$20 \quad 2 \mathrm{p}$ brown
$21 \quad 3 \mathrm{p}$ olive

FRENCF COLONIES.

GABON.


PROVISIONAL ISSUE.

April 16, 1889.

## FRENCH COLONIES.

GUADELOUPE.


UNPȦID LETTER STAMPS.

FRENCH COLONIES.

GUADELOUPE.


UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.
Issued October 1, 1884.

## FRENCH COLONIES.

GUADELOUPE.


UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

Issued June 25, I885.

FRENCF COLONIES.

## GUADELOUPE.



UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

Issued June 25, 1885.

## FRENCH COLONIES.

GUADELOUPE.


UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

Issued June 25, 1885.

## FRENCH COLONIES.

## MADAGASCAR.



PROVISIONAL ISSUE.
FRENCH COLONIES


FRENCH COLONIES.

REUNION.


Issued 1852.


Reprints, 1866.


UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.

Issued 1889.


[^0]:    Provisional issue.
    January 22d, 1888.
    Stamps of the French Colonies, of the issue of 188 I , surcharged in black with new values in various ways.

[^1]:    Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
    57 Ic on 2c brown on buft
    End 1891.
    Stamps of the French Colonies of the 188 I issue surcharged in black as type IX of 1888 issue.

    Perforated $14 \times 131 / 2$.
    58 Ic on 2c brown on buff
    Variety: Top and bottom of " $\mathbf{I}$ " is hollow.
    59 Ic on 2c brown on buff

[^2]:    95 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
    105 c on 40 c orange on yellowish
    II 5 C on 40 c vermilion on yellowish
    Varieties: Surcharge inverted. 5 c on 30 c brown on yellowish
    I3 5 c on 40 c orange on yellowish

